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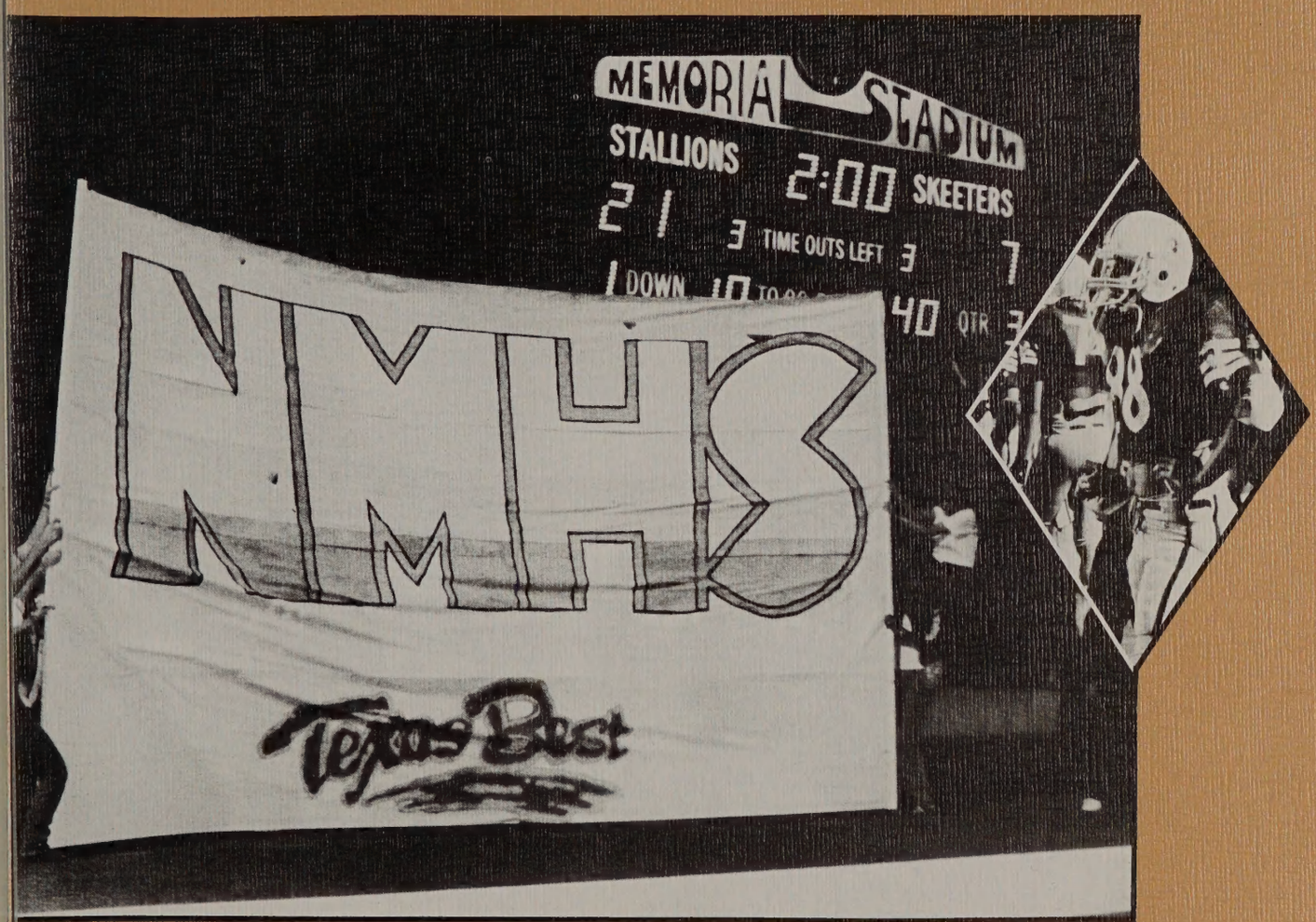
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With one of the football team's favorite run-throughs, the Art Club members prepare for the players to thread their creation.

Senior Steve Barker concentrates on the next play at the game against Mesquite.

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Check Us Out



"Recognition" — that was what we wanted our school to achieve. We were tired of being the neglected middle child. Traditional respect was given to the high school on the South side because it was established first. At the same time, the high school on the west side was the new arrival. We wanted them and everyone else to check us out because we have a lot to offer.

We were the ones who had tremendous support during the football games. Home or away, we managed to have more fans on our side than ever before. We were willing to get soaked by the unexpected rains to see our team defeat its opponents by an average of twenty points.

However, we, along with the others not attending our school, all cried together as we were stopped from reaching

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Band member, *Andrea McFadden proves the flag corps has school spirit at one of the early morning pep rallies. Students were forced to have pep rallies before school because of the reforms made by House Bill 72.*

Making cosmetic adjustments, *Sherry Hanus does some last minute touch-ups on the school mascot, Spirit. The Art Club gave Spirit a whole new make-over this year.*

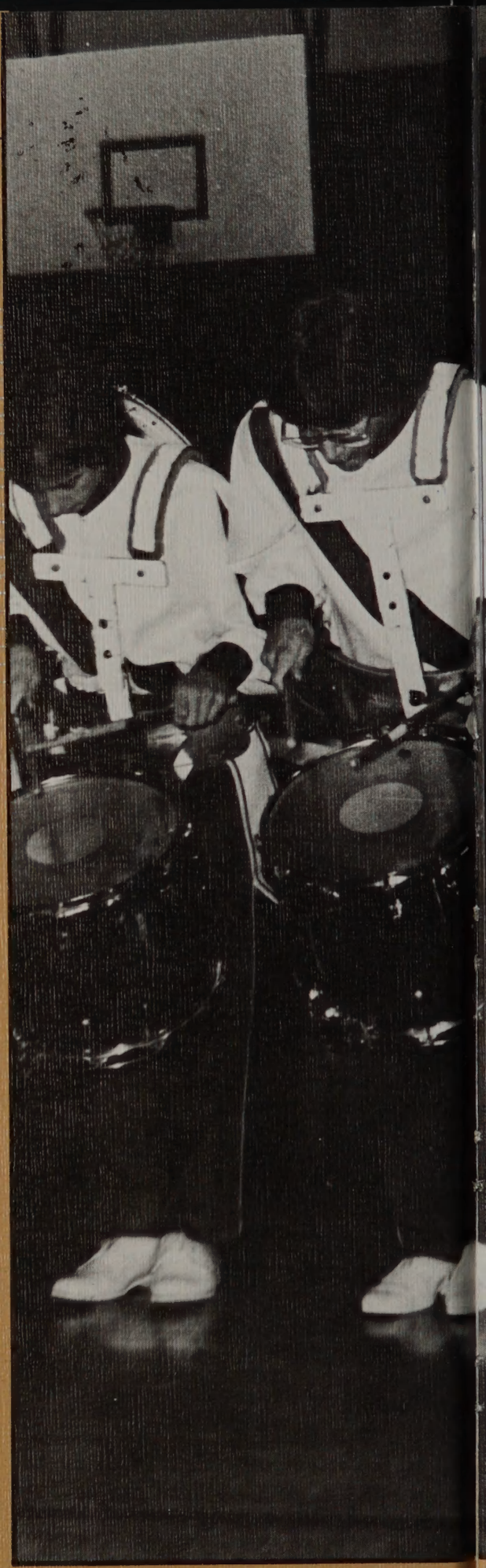
Small Sacrifices

the play-offs; not by points or penetrations, but by the outcome of a coin toss.

Although we froze as the northern winds ripped through the massive crowds, the excitement we got by watching the halftime presentations warmed us up. But the attendance at the Friday night games was nothing compared to the school enrollment. With a record number of two thousand six hundred students, we had to get adjusted to the impenetrable mass of people in the one-way stairwells and the eight tediously long lines down in the lunchroom. Apparently, some newly-arrived people had checked us out and decided that we were the school to enter.

Although the once problem of insufficient number of parking spaces was solved by constructing an extra reserved parking area, it still took an extra fifteen to twenty minutes to exit the campus grounds —

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Drum line members, David Maddox, Mark Nester, Steve Tucker, and Richard Harwell perform their drum solo at pep rally.

Mike Collins gets tackled at Loos Field after one of his many long runs. The football team was denied the chance at the playoffs after losing a coin toss.

New Challenges

depending on how many students socialized at the lot, causing frequent jam-ups and stand-still traffic.

The crowd problems slowly diminished, however, because we had a new obstacle we had to meet. Because of the new regulations regarding school academics, we were required to become more "studious" in able to secure our memberships in our respected organizations and our participations in its activities. Worst of all, semester exams befell us, as they became required. We knew that because of the new school rules, we had to shape up when the administrators and teachers checked us out. We knew that the school year would be more challenging to everyone.

This was the attitude we had when we began the school year. We knew that if we wanted everybody to check us out, we had to have a lot to offer. And judging from how we started, that "recognition" would not be far away.





Elizabeth Breed, *April McLemore, Christy Edwards, Bobby Anderson, Kim Nottingham, Linda Gray, Kathy Niles, Grant Richardson, and James Echols display their award-winning door. These students won the door decorating contest sponsored by the cheerleaders during Mesquite Week.*

At the Wilmer-Hutchins *pep rally, Jason Wright dances to "Thriller" by Michael Jackson with the Varsity cheerleaders.*

Student Life

Check out our Student Life. There is more to us than research papers and Pythagorean Theorems. After a schoolday of attending sweating practices, or taking class notes, or pecking on the computers, or a combination of all three, we reward ourselves with sporting events, musical productions, and parties — at school and at home. Many students work at local businesses to earn cash for cars, where gas costs $1.15 a gallon, clothes and good times. Others took off to lakes and watering holes such as White Water or the city swimming pools. We believe that there is life after 3:30.





Pals *Heidi Cook and Carrie Bruce model their matching sweatshirts.*

Senior *Stephanis Powers industriously finishes her typing assignment.*

What did you do that made Homecoming special?

I got my boyfriend, at the time, to come to the game and afterwards we went out to eat. The excitement of the game and wearing my mum made Homecoming special.

— Connie Johnson

After a celebration in the fieldhouse I went up to the parking lot and celebrated with the rest of my friends.

— Alan Warta

After the game I had a date with this gorgeous guy. He took me "around" and then we went to J. J. Muggs!

— Robin Causey



Selling mums during lunch, Rolando Guzman, Jennifer Jacobs, Ronnie Mason, and Tommy Malin pause for a rest.

Homecoming Court: Barrett Haberer, Nanny Stutts, Amy Ashmore, and Tracey Way



Homecoming Queen: *Dee Dee Deets*









Band Sweetheart *– Kayla Price; Stallion Battallion Sweetheart – Julie Brooks; Football Sweetheart – Belinda Garza*

Homecoming Day Makes For

Ringing Bells

Bells ringing and lights lashing were sights that were een and heard throughout the orridors on Friday, October 5. irst-Aid classes were available or those who wanted to tape linging bells.

As a result of House Bill 72, ne pep rally could only be eld before school, but spirit till flowed through the halls nd among friends. Stuffed nimals and flowers were exhanged and passed out along rith spirit bags filled with andy and cookies.

Spirit flowed through veryone as expressed by atcharee Roberts, "Everyhere you turn, every sound ou hear there is no doubt in nyone' s mind what this day as. It was Homecoming, one f the most exciting days at orth Mesquite. Everyone had the Stallion spirit. Homecoming was even better when we won."

As the excitement filled the stands during the game against North Garland, fear filled the hearts of five nominees for the title of Homecoming Queen.



As expressed by Dee Dee Deets, be announced. Homecoming Queen, "I was so nervous. I was wishing that the announcer would just hurry up and announce the queen so that it would be all over with." Dee Dee, along with Amy Ashmore, Barrett Haberer, Tracey Way, and Nanny Stutts waited with a glowing feeling in hopes that her name would

Along with the honor of Homecoming Queen there is also the honor of Band Sweetheart, Football Sweetheart, and Stallion Battallion Sweetheart. As Kayla Price remarked, "Being Band Sweetheart was one of the most exciting things that has happened to me. I was very proud that the Big Blue chose me to represent them." Along with the nominees for queen, the three sweethearts, Kayla Price, Band Sweetheart; Belinda Garza, Football Sweetheart, and Julie Brooks, Stallion Battallion Sweetheart. The day ended with a victory over North Garland, 40-19.

Mesquite Week

Continues The Tradition Of The Rivalry

"Mesquite Week renews the big rival, and it is filled with a lot of spirit," is Larry Whitworth's interpretation of what Mesquite Week means to North Mesquite.

Every year the rivalry between Mesquite and North Mesquite continues. The matter not only involves who wins the game, but also which school has the most spirit. North Mesquite was the winner in all areas in 1985.

There wasn't any need to look at the scoreboard the night of the Mesquite vs. North Mesquite game because, judging by Mesquite Week, North Mesquite was the clear winner.

Fans made Mesquite Week the highlight of the football season by showing spirit every day of the week.

The cheerleaders held their yearly contest to see which homeroom could show the most spirit, by asking fourth period classes to decorate their doors. The entries were judged by faculty members and the winner was announced that Friday at the Mesquite pep rally. The decoration winner for 1985 was Ms. Cathy Bradley's fourth period Art III class.

Not wanting to believe that the last pep rally of the season had finally arrived, seniors gathered in front of Spirit to sing the school alma mater for the last time.

"Mesquite Week makes our students closer and we really have a lot of spirit," says Luann Mullis, who is one of many who thought that Mesquite Week had this effect on North Mesquite. After the loss to Highland Park and the situation being as it was with limited pep rallies, there seems to be less spirit and morale was low. "Mesquite Week wasn't as spirited this year because of all the pressures House Bill 72 has put on all students," stated Ladonna Patterson.

Yet Stallions pulled through with the spirit greatly displayed during Mesquite Week, and made it the most spirited week of the season.





***Ken Craft** came to school as a Raid can proving that Stallions could kill Skeeters dead.*



***Pacesetters** danced away to Jailhouse Rock.*



***Laurie Bender** and Shannon Beck cheered players on to the bleachers.*



***Seniors** came together to sing the alma mater for the last time.*

***The Speech Club** had an outstanding door, proving that justice would be served.*





***Mr. Ron Pardun** contributed to Mesquite Week by dressing in 50's attire.*

***What effect** did Mesquite Week have on the Mesquite game?*

***More students** get involved and come to this game when, more than likely, they haven't been to another game all season.*

— Pam Hiller

***It gets everyone** ready for the game.*

— Kristy Sumner

***It is excellent** motivation for students who do not participate in or attend interscholastic sporting events.*

— Craig S. Murphy

***Gets everybody** excited about their school and everybody has fun.*

— Lisa St. John



***Jason Wright** "thrills" Chris Hamilton, accompanied by the Varsity cheerleaders, at the Wilmer-Hutchins pep rally.*

Through Early Mornings And Hot Afternoons, The Pep Rallies Were

The Spirit Behind It All

The pep rallies for the 1984 football season were noticeably different from those in the past. For one, they were only twenty minutes long, whereas in previous years they were at least a half an hour.

Also, as a result of House Bill 72, only four were allowed during school. They were for the Samuell, Berkner, Highland Park, and Mesquite games. The remaining ones were held in the morning in the gym, and one was even held outside by the fieldhouse at 5 pm the Thursday before the W. T. White game. Concerning the outdoor pep rally, Mrs. Muhl, cheerleader sponsor, claimed, "With a better speaker system, it would have worked."

The morning pep rallies were something entirely different. There were mixed feelings about them by the student body, the most common one being that many students do not get to school before 8:00 because of buses or late rides. The fact that no one could get fired up that early in the morning also played a major part in the effectiveness of the rallies. Darrel Evens, Stallion Battalion member put it, "In the mornings everyone is still tired and can't get into the groove of things, which makes it hard to get the spirit going so early in the morning."

Being involved in every pep rally, varsity cheerleader Christi Hart said, "We could have made them a lot better with better participation and attendance from the student body."

Everyone seems to agree that pep rallies are an important factor in promoting school spirit, and that they also show the football team how much support they have from their loyal Stallion fans. Then why the change? The State Legislature said that the pep rallies take too much time out of the school day, since classes have to be shortened by ten minutes to provide time for the rallies.

Not all of the aspects of the new pep rally procedures were negative, however. The pep rally held outdoors provided plenty of space for everyone, instead of being crowded together in the hot gym. The Pacesetters performed eight routines accompanied by the Big Blue Band. A group of over-zealous boys was even reprimanded after one rally for having too much spirit. And although attendance was low at the pep rallies, attendance at the games was at an all time high, with fans supporting the team through heat, cold, driving winds, and pouring rain.

"Spirit at pep rallies is just as important as spirit at the games"
— Mike Collins





***The fight song** is sounded loud and clear with help from French horn players Kerrylea Etter, Courtney Deal, Kathy Norfleet, and Kara McClendon.*



***The Colonels** are kicked in the bucket during a skit for the South Garland pep rally. Claudia Perez, Sean Peterson, and Chris Gist portray the "tough guys" harassing the nerds.*

***Do you** think pep rallies are important?*

***Yes, very** much. They promote school spirit and get the students, football team, and everyone else all fired up about the game.*

— Kimberly Russell

***Without the** pep rallies there would be less spirit. It's a way for the team to feel support.*

— Mrs. Linda Muhl

***Yes, because** it gives the football team more pep to win the game.*

— Rolanda Guzman

Grammar lectures are given by Mrs. Bowdoin as a student takes notes.



Mrs. Peggy Bowdoin chooses a selection from Great Expectations for her English I classes.







Besides reading assignments, Mrs. Bowdoin uses class discussion as a means of teaching.

Peggy is seen giving help to a student with a confusing assignment.





Mrs. Peggy Bowdoin Proves To Be

The Source of Spirit

When attending school functions, there is a familiar face that can always be recognized among the crowds. That face belongs to a teacher who has consistently provided strong support and school spirit for North Mesquite. It is her spirit and support that has earned Mrs. Peggy Bowdoin the 1985 *Trailblazer* dedication.

Born in DeKalb, Texas, Mrs. Bowdoin has been a teacher for twenty-two years. She received a B.A. in English and History from East Texas State University. She also has an M.Ed. — Supervision and has achieved 12 hours above a Master's in Supervision and Special Education at East Texas.

In the fourteen years she has worked at North Mesquite, Mrs. Bowdoin has taught English II, CVAE English I and II, World History, and English I.

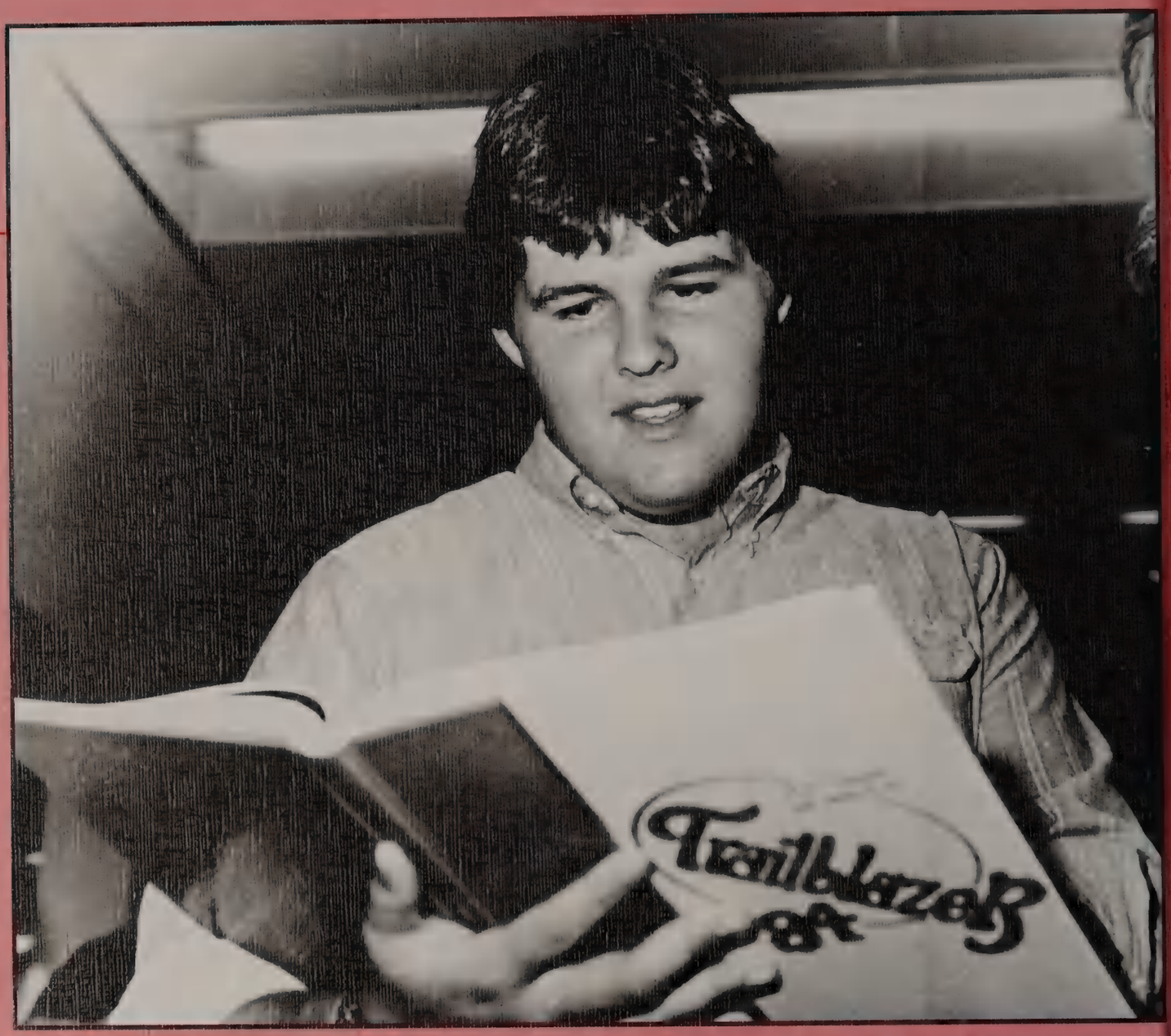
Although Mrs. Bowdoin is heavily involved in academics, she finds time to get involved in extra-curricular events. She feels that extra-curricular activities are very important to a school. She also feels that some students stay in school just to participate in school activities, and that there are students attending college today on full scholarships who could not have gone if it had not been for their particular extra-curricular activities.

A distinction Mrs. Bowdoin has is that she, along with her family, has attended multitudes of school events. "Whether it be sporting events or music programs or anything in between, I have stood in bad weather and crowded auditoriums to see the many exciting events which North Mesquite offers." Events which she considers as highlights from the past fourteen years include the trips to Waco and Austin for the basketball regional tournaments and the football play-offs.

The tournaments and play-offs she feels are made possible by the excellence of the sports program. Mrs. Bowdoin comments, "School spirit would be built up if more students and faculty members attended school programs and events." When asked how she thought of the pep rallies, she answered, "No one group should dominate when we have pep rallies or assemblies." Although she spends a great amount with school and church activities, Mrs. Bowdoin still finds extra time to indulge in her hobbies — reading, watching TV, travelling, and doing needlework.

Aside from teaching, Mrs. Bowdoin had an interest to enter law school. She adds, "At that time (1961), there were not a lot of schools that accepted females." When she finishes teaching, Mrs. Bowdoin will enjoy travelling. She comments, "I have never been to Europe and would someday love to go!"

***With a basket** of flowers in one hand, Mrs. Bowdoin is ready for the holidays.*



Chuck Houpt examines his newly arrived yearbook at the party.

***How do** you feel about the yearbook coming out on the first day of school?*

"It's an understandable idea considering the year isn't over until the last day."
– John Caton

"I think it's a good idea because it gives everybody a chance to catch up on everything they missed over the summer."
– Becky McElyea

"I like it because it starts the year out great."
– Jennifer Dunn



Graduates, Seniors And Underclassmen Cram The Cafeteria For

Signing of the Times

As the crowds gathered around the cafeteria doors on the evening of August 27, the *Trailblazer* staff frantically finished their pizzas and made last-second preparations for the first social event of the year: the yearbook signing party.

Within minutes after the doors were open to the seniors at 6:00 the cafeteria began to fill up with students getting their first glimpses of the *1984 Trailblazer*. Of the book senior Julian Stewart jokingly replied, "It's a mind boggling thing. I put it up there with NMHS football and Ms. Adcock." He said he really enjoyed the book.

For the entire three hours of the party the cafeteria was packed with kids flipping through and signing books, reminiscing over the previous year and summer, rockin' with the blaring music from the juke box, and squinting at the pictures for sale on the wall to find one of themselves. John Caton's opinion of the event was positive indeed. "The party is an opportunity for everyone to be together at one time. It's great, the first party of the year."

Though many may disagree, the first day of school is really the best time for the books to arrive and to have a party. If the books came at the end of the year there would be no color pages, no prom and no graduation.

Since the purpose of the yearbook is to record all the events of the year the first day of school really is a good idea. As sophomore Donna Crouch said, "It gives everyone something to look forward to on the first day back."

***Skimming** through the book on his own, Kernie Brashier stops to see what dedicated N.M. students did during the summer.*





Mrs. Barbara Thomas *looks around while Katy Horton hurriedly signs David Johnson's book.*

***"Aren't there any of me?"** wonders Larry Holland as he looks through the pictures that were for sale.*



Jacob Porse takes a break from his daily routine.



Why did you want to become a foreign exchange student?

One of my teachers was a foreign exchange student in 1970, and she always told a lot of good things about it. So I said to myself that I had to try it. I went over here and here I am.

— Jacob Porse

I wanted to experience a foreign country with a different culture than my home country. It gave me a good chance to learn English better, meet new people, and see and do new things. I have been curious about the U.S.A.

— Marit Tangen

I had visited the U.S. before and liked it a lot. When I then got the opportunity to become an exchange student, I took it also to try something new and different from my school in Denmark. It is a challenge.

— Tony Sunekaer





Tony Sunekaer relaxes from a day of work.



Foreign Students come to

Unfamiliar Territory

Walking down the hallway, you'd never figure out who was American and who was not. But NM and other high schools around the district had been bombarded with unfamiliar faces that had come from as far away as Germany and Sweden. These students had traveled thousands of miles from home to study in an American high school and live with a typical American family for a year.

Some of the students that had ventured to Texas included Antje Birkner and Elke Reichel from Germany, Jacob Porse and Tony Sunekaer from Denmark, and Marit Tangen from Norway.

"Everything is more expansive. It is a lot hotter, the school is different, the society is different, and the language is," remarked Jacob Porse, comparing Texas to Denmark.

Though the students came from different countries and families, they all agreed that their American family was like a second home.

"My American family is very nice to me," explained Tony Sunekaer. "I have a brother and sister over here and they all treat me like I was a part of their family."

"You had to contact a F.E.S. organization and they interviewed you and wrote an essay about yourself to become an exchange student," Marit Tangen explained.

All the foreign exchange students viewed the U.S. as an exciting and different place. Danish Tony Sunekaer said, "I've liked it a lot. My friends in school are very nice to me, and the life over here is a lot more exciting."

***Jacob Porse** and Tony Sunekaer relax outside after school.*



***Marit Tangen** and Elke Reichel take some time after school to pose for the camera.*



***Antje Birkner** recuperates after swimming season where she was on the relay team that went to regionals.*

Between Bells, Students Had Lots to Do

In Five Minutes

The controversy continues. Is five minutes enough time between classes or should students have six, or even seven minutes to travel from one class to another?

Many students contend that the usual five minutes is sufficient. Others say that five minutes is usually enough time, but there are times when more time is needed. Sophomore Jane Perez commented, "Five minutes is sometimes enough, but on certain days I have to run errands that take more than five minutes."

The majority of students believe that if one never has to visit the restroom, his lockers or other teachers, the twelfth of an hour that has been the policy is long enough.

However, as senior Debbie Burchfield put it, "When you go from 'A' floor to 'D' floor, there's no time for restroom or locker stops."

Probably, the complaints against the five-minute time limit are the result of the crowds at North Mesquite. With over 2500 students trying to traverse the halls at once, it is never possible to get from one place to another without encountering some type of obstacle.

Take, for instance, the problem of getting from 'A' floor to any place above it. Students face the dilemma of deciding whether to go outside and up the exterior stairs.

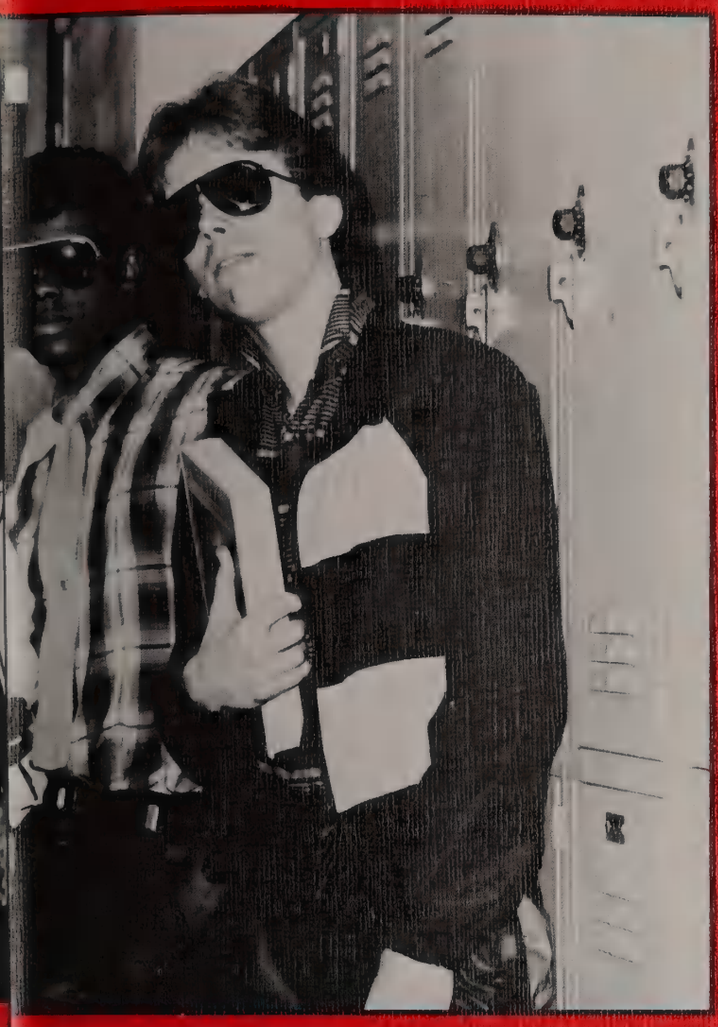
Another problem makes running errands difficult. Before, if a student needed to, say, go to the library, talk to a counselor, or retrieve an item forgotten in a locker, all that was necessary was a pink hall pass signed by a teacher. In the middle of the year, however, to avoid abuse of the hall passes students were required to have a member of the office staff "co-sign" any pass allowing passage in the halls during classes.

Most students found this procedure too much of an ordeal to bother with, so they attempted to accomplish all necessary side-trips between classes because, according to Debbie Burchfield, "You can't be in the halls after the bell rings." This often caused students to be late to class. Many students believed that an extra minute or two would have been the answer.

Although it is a problem that affects most students, the usual five minutes will, in a few years, be remedied. With the opening of Poteet High School in September of 1986, much of the crowding at North Mesquite will be relieved, allowing students to move through the halls at a much faster (or perhaps, only a slightly faster) rate than before.







Bryant Murray, Rafaela Gamez and Jason Wright exhibit their true personalities on their way to class.

Lisa Kelleher makes through the hall five minutes early because of her crutches.



Michelle Harris makes her way across the wet floor after a water fountain sprung a leak.





The bell having rung, students make their way to their next classes.

Renee Hobbs enjoys a few minutes after lunch to talk with her friends.

***What's the** most hectic part of your day?*

***Between 1st** and 2nd periods, because when the bell rings for 2nd period, we're usually still playing in band and then we have to put up all our chairs, stands, and instruments. After doing all this, I still need to go to my locker and then up to "C" floor.*

— Edward Abarquez

***Between 3rd** and 4th periods, when I have been forced to traverse the interior stairs, which one may not legally go up.*

— Robert Babb

***After lunch,** when I have to go from "A" floor to "D" floor. The energy I supposedly get from eating is a waste.*

— Jane Perez

Where are your favorite places to go and meet your friends?

It used to be football and basketball games and then out to eat but now if someone has a party, everyone meets there. — Kim Floyd

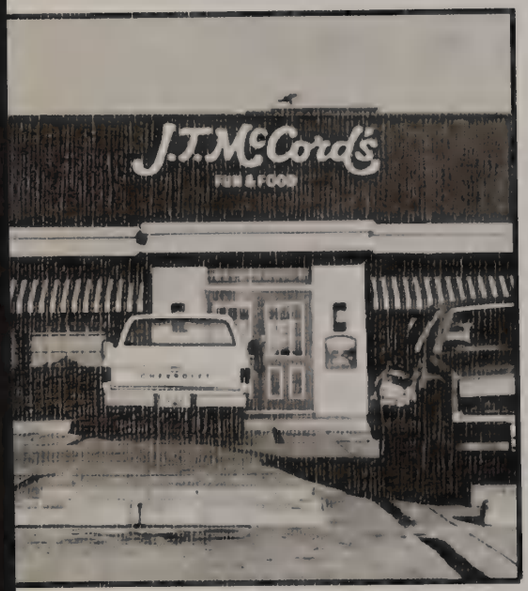
Either at Fast Times or the movies because it is a place to go and people my age group go there. — Shannon Fields

Fast Times or Bennigans because my friends are always there. It's a great place to meet new people and have a good time. — Tricia Burnett

Chili's, Fast Times, and J. J. Muggs to meet girls. — Chris Farr



After being reconstructed Town East's General Cinema is a favorite place for all.



J. T. McCord's is new but has gained popularity fast.

RMR's Fast Times is the teens' favorite place to go and dance where only teens can go.





Chili's [illegible] favorite [illegible] hang outs for [illegible] and [illegible] parents.

Burgers, Fries, Malts, Chili Peppers In The Hang Outs Are —



Bennigan's is a place for informal banquets to be held with success.

A Tall Order

"Where will we go tonight? Chili's, Bennigan's, or Fast Times?" This is a question students ponder on each Friday and Saturday night when looking for a place to meet friends.

Many students not only meet at Fast Times or Chili's but also at a friend's house for a party. Kim Floyd said, "We used to meet at football and basketball games but now if someone has a party everyone meets there because it is a place you can be with all your friends. You also have a chance to meet new people."

Many of the popular places to go on dates or just to meet friends is at Bennigan's, Chili's, Fast Times, and to the movies. It is not only the food that attracts students but the atmosphere.

Fast Times provides a dancing and music atmosphere that is clean and allows teens to be free and relaxed. As Leslie Cain explained, "It's fun to go because it's not overly formal or informal either. You can relax and just have fun and be yourself." Also Bart Gulley stated, "It is a great place to get away from home and have a good time."

Along with restaurants and movie theaters there is also a favorite gas station that many students "gather" around to have fun. Vicker's is a popular place for underclassmen to gather to be together and play arcade games and talk. As Leslie Cain commented, "Vicker's is real close by and is somewhere to go where you don't have to really do anything but goof around."

Whenever there is a doubt about where and what a teenager does just remember how clean and relaxed Chili's, Bennigan's, and Fast Times are for a teen to attend.



What is *your definition of spirit?*

People showing *that they like their school. Like wearing NMHS t-shirts.* — *Paul Lozey*

School spirit *includes many things — unity, pride, enthusiasm, and a sense of excitement, to name a few.* — *Vickie Glenn*

When people *show up on t.v., pep rallies, games, and other school activities and yell and scream for their school. I think it's something this school has a whole lot of.* — *Sybee Holland*

Showing by *mouth and action the feeling of pride you have in your school.* — *Kim Ferguson*

School spirit *is an expression of pride in oneself through the institution they represent.* — *Donna Capps*



***Eric Stone and Ken Craft** show their support on Cap Day.*

The Varsity cheerleaders, along with Spirit, sing the Alma Mater at the Wilmer-Hutchins pep rally.

The Art Club finishes its run through for the Homecoming game against North Garland.



Jennifer Pennington, freshman flag corps member, claps to the fight song at a pep rally.



NM Students Fire Up, Blast Off, and Let Their

Spirits on the Loose

If asked about spirit, at NM most students would probably say that it's a white horse that they've seen at a pep rally or one of our football games.

But Spirit is more than just a mascot; it's a feeling of excitement and energy that is generated by everyone. Along with Spirit encouraging "spirit," among the students, the students themselves radiate the energy to the crowd.

Various groups and students contributed their share of school spirit at the pep rallies.

Senior boys could be seen at the far end of the gym dancing to the drumline's version of Wilmer and the Stallion Battalion, along with the varsity cheerleaders, did two bits. Along with the chaos that goes on during pep rallies, the rest of the student body showed their support by dressing up on game days, which represented different themes for the week. "Everyone danced, clapped and yelled, and looked like they had a real good time," sophomore Shannon Wright commented.

The Big Blue and Pacesetters also did their best to promote spirit. The majorettes did their version of two bits, the flag corps did its routine to the flag feature, the drumline performed their percussion feature and Wilmer, and the Pacesetters did various routines to excite the crowd. At the football games, these groups could be seen "jamming" the night away.

But pep rallies and football games were not the only places where school spirit could be found. Cheerleader Leslie Sadler said, "Our student body was super-full of spirit during football season, but everyone needs to realize the importance of all the other sports, too."

Other sports, not widely recognized as football, provide just as much fun and excitement. Attendance at the games is also critical to the stature of the school. Remarked Coach Phyllis Reed, "This reflects a good image on the school and student body. It also helps the players feel encouraged in games whether they are winning or losing."



Coach Gary Childress wishes the Stallions luck at early morning pep rally.

Drama class proves it's not just

Playin' Around

Imagine running for your life, dropping crumbs along the forest floor and then committing murder in a Gingerbread house in order to save your life. Does this scene sound familiar? It does to the Theater Arts II class that was in charge of the Children's Theater production of "The Gingerbread House in the Forest," by Anne Coulter Martens. John Hanby, Ms. Clark's replacement, admitted to some nervousness about the performance. "I must admit that I was apprehensive before the curtain. It wasn't until after the whole production was over that I felt relieved."

Trying to create an atmosphere of magic for the elementary students, a nine-foot witch was designed to catch the children's attention. This unique attraction was created by stacking Alison Orren on Woody Robinson's shoulders and covering them both with a swathe of black cloth. As excited elementary students flooded out of the auditorium, enthusiastic comments came at the performers from all directions. Listening to the excited comments from the children really made the performers feel like they had made some people happy.



***Alison Orren** threatens a terrified Shauna Earp and Kevin Jones.*

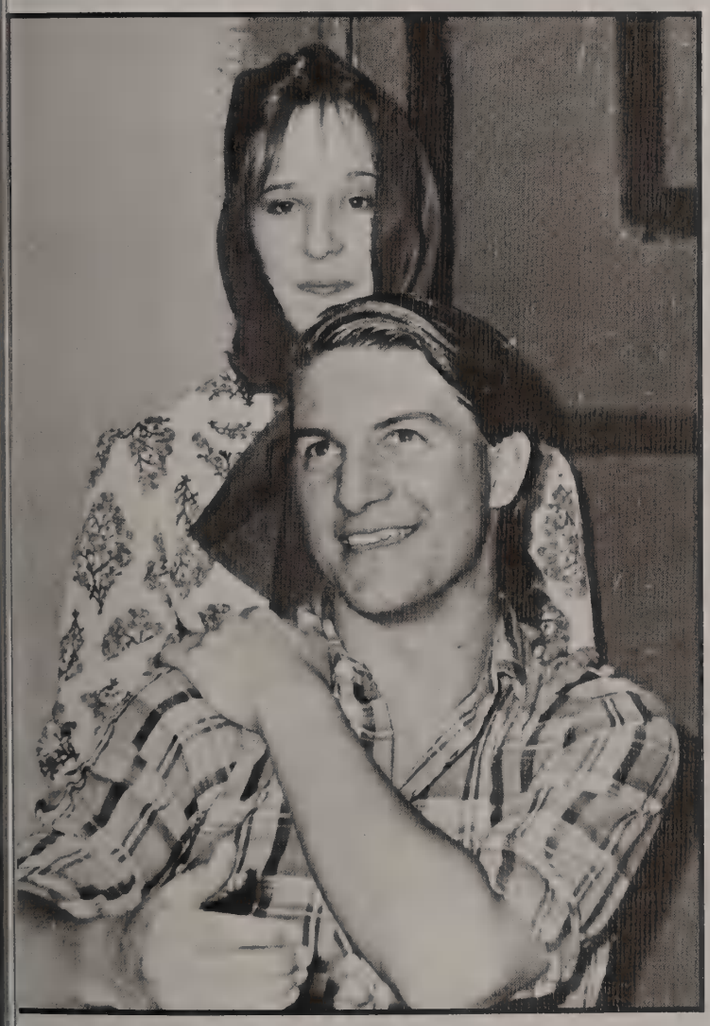
Cast members are: *(Kneeling) Carrie Cortez, Rodney Moffett, Lisa Klements, Kevin Jones, Cheryl Stewart, Tricia Schellenberg, Renay Gray, Susan Bradley, Donna Person. (Standing): Donald Cott, Chris Gist, Calvin Booker, Krysla Threlkeld, Shauna Earp, Suzon Reese, Alison Orren, Tammy Taber, Andria Wight, Tommy Malin.*



***It was** a trip hearing all those little kids laughing and screaming. It really freaked me out though when this little girl came up to me after the show and asked me for my autograph!* — *Shauna Earp*

***It was** interesting since I had to fill in for a guy on Monday — and the play was Thursday. I was pretty comfortable with it though.*

***This was** Drama II's first class project and they did a pretty good job, but; Mr. Hanby deserves a lot of the credit.* — *Chris Gist*



Tricia Schellenberg *and Chris Gist discuss their plans for Hansel and Gretel.*



Susan Bradley, *Calvin Booker, Donald Cott, and Tommy Malin cower in terror from Alison Orren.*



Tricia Schellenberg *sends her step-children off to the woods forever.*

Juniors and Seniors Spend Big Bucks to Make Plaza of the Americas Parking Lot

Lined Up With Limos

The mall of Plaza of Americas was filled with excitement as couples dressed in formal attire began arriving.

Many couples were finding themselves asking other couples, "Do you know where it's at?" or "Have you figured out where it's at yet?" because no one seemed to know just exactly which banquet room it was that the prom was being held. But somehow everyone managed.

The Junior-Senior prom was held on April 26 and began at 7:30 p.m. Couples were having their pictures made at 5:30 p.m.

The theme for the prom was "Wishing Upon a Star" and the first dance, held after the senior walk, was to "Lucky Star" by Madonna.

During the senior walk, seniors and their dates walked through a floral-decorated arch and were introduced.

Andy Barbar, from 92½, KAFM, was scheduled to be the D.J. for the evening, but Pete Thompson showed up instead with his sound and light show.

The menu included fresh salad with Cafe Royal dressing, breast of chicken with mushroom, rissole potatoes, fresh mixed vegetables, and French rolls. Strawberry tarts were served for dessert. While some people who attended the prom commented that the food was not very good and was served in a "child's plate" fashion, others thought just the opposite.

A great deal of money was spent by each individual who attended the prom. When asked if one night was worth all of the money, most people said that it was definitely worth it. Senior Chris Hamilton said, "I think some of the things that consume most of your money are rip-offs (85.00 tux, 85.00 hotel, etc.), but that's the price you pay for a good time so I guess it was worth it!"

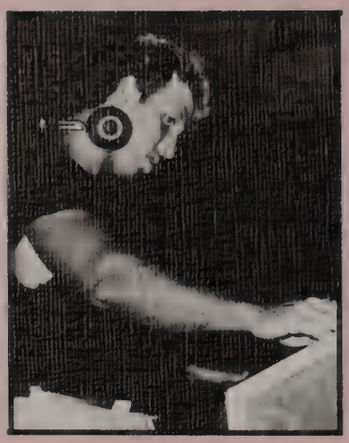
The best thing about the prom was probably the dancing. Senior Tracey Hernandez commented, "I enjoyed dancing, seeing everyone in their pretty dresses, and seeing all of the guys dressed up."

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Enjoying the night's festivities, Vonna Thornburg, James Townsend, Kara McLendon, and Laurie Colgrove wait for the music to start the dancing.



***The D.J. for the night,** Pete Thompson, controls the music.*





***Leslie Langford** and date Tim Ayo take a minute to pose for a picture.*



Jammin' to the beat, *Grant Gaultney and Priscilla Martin enjoy the music.*

During the senior walk, *Kim Cavender and date David Garza wait for the first dance.*



How did *you get to the prom?*

"We decided *not to take a limo. Instead we went in Chris Lawrence's Monte Carlo with his date, Lisa Lott."*

— Lisa Hiser

"Bryan borrowed *his friend's Cadillac Seville. Helen Janecka and Roger Cave went with us."*

— Deanna Hipp

"Greg's dad *carried us to Plaza of the America's, and after we ate we had something better than a limo! We went on a carriage ride. Then we went with Trevor Nelson and Michelle Kirkpatrick and used their limo the rest of the night."*

— Sheri Thompson

Lined Up With Limos

"The food wasn't that great, but I enjoyed dancing the most," said senior Bill Ellis.

A lot of students took either limos or borrowed someone's nicer car for the evening. Senior Robert Doleshal said, "We went with Paul Morones and his date from Lakeview. We took a limo. Two showed up at our house because we ordered one and then cancelled it for another. But they had no record of a cancellation. The limo was super nice. It had a television, cokes, Pioneer stereo, and a sunroof. It was great!"

After the prom, many people went out to eat, bowling, to a party, or for a carriage ride through the streets of downtown Dallas. Overall, most people had a rather enjoyable evening.

Susie Harmon said, "My date Lonnie and I had a lot of fun. It was really nice to see everybody, especially the friends I don't get to see during school. It was great, and I wish we could have one more together."

***What did** you enjoy most about the prom?*

***"It's a** tie between ordering pizza at our table and staying out all night."*
– Bonnie Perkins

***"The dancing** and dancing with different people."*
– Raymond Beccera



***Dressed for the occasion,** Dee Dee Deets and Heath Bobo dance the night away.*

Whether it was the glory of the Olympics, or the music of Madonna, or the bold colors of the trendy fashions, the following people, places, and things were what we checked out.

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Worldly Events

It was a school year that started with Ronald Reagan's re-election to the presidency. The Reagan-Bush team defeated Walter Mondale and Geraldine Ferraro, the first woman would-be vice-president.

The science world added another achievement ot its many accomplishments as the world's first baby born from a frozen enbryo was introduced.

Another "first," Vanessa Williams, the first black Miss America, relinquished her title with class, style, and grace after explicit photos of her were published.

The trial of the decade, the John DeLorean Case, ended with an acquittal as its verdict. It wasn't a clean win, however, when his wife Cristina left him.

Not only news at home affected us but also news from around the world left us big impressions. War was a constant threat in the Middle East. And in a great Middle East tragedy, Indira Gandhi, prime minister of India, was gunned down by Sikh terrorists.

Africa had its share of sadness as Ethiopia suffered from famine. And of course, in royal style, Princess Diana gave birth to her second son, Henry.

Whether it's news from overseas to news from the Republican party here in Dallas, events are what makes a year different.



An ape's heart was transplanted into the body of Baby Fae.



Vanessa Williams became the first black woman to win the Miss America crown.



1984 saw the first woman to run for vice-presient, Geraldine Ferraro.



Courtesy — Life

The entertainment world lost one of its greatest actors, Richard Burton.

An Olympic Event



On July 28, 1984, approximately 2 billion people witnessed an event that will always be remembered as the greatest of its kind. No, its not the Academy Awards nor a NASA shuttle launching. It was the XXIII Olympics held in Los Angeles, California.

Although the Olympics was marred by a boycott from the Soviet Union and other Communist nations, over 7,800 athletes from 140 other nations worldwide participated.

One of the events, gymnastics, was dominated by U.S.A. The men's team won the gold medal as the best all-around team while its member, Peter Vidmar won the best all-around silver medal. The women's gymnastics produced its own "sweetheart" in the form of 16-year-old Mary Lou Retton.

Other celebrated winners included track stars Carl Lewis and Evelyn Ashford and swimmer Steve Lundquist. Tragedy was present however, when runner Mary Decker was stopped from reaching the finish line after colliding with a British competitor.

As the competitions ended, the viewers were treated with a closing performance by Lionel Richie. And as the result of the successful and popular XXXIII Olympiad, its organizer, Peter Ueberroth, was named the "Man of the Year" by *Time* Magazine.



Courtesy — *Life*

Hogshead and Steinsefer formed the winning team in synchronized swimming. **Gold Medal winner** Carl Lewis outshined the other runners in track.



The Gold Medal for best all-around in women's gymnastics belonged to the "Sweetheart of the Olympics," Mary Lou Retton.

At the Movies

Plunging into the silver screen were some of the biggest comedies ever produced.

Leading the way was the undisputed kind of the box-office, Eddie Murphy. His motion picture, "Beverly Hills Cop," became one of the most successful movies made.

For those looking for a screamer, "Nightmare on Elm Street" was the movie. Combining "horrific" special effects and sudden jolts of suspense, "Nightmare on Elm Street" was a favorite among teenagers.

The movie industry also made movies that would attract adult viewers. These movies included, "A Soldier's Story," "A Passage to India," and the three farm movies, "Places in the Heart," "Country," and "The River." As the result, these movies swept the Academy Awards.

Oddly enough, sever musicians took the plun into the Hollywood scer Prince starred in "Purp Rain," while Grace Jon co-starred in "View to Kill" and Tina Turn made her movie debut "The Road Warrior II And to add to her alread sky-rocketing caree Madonna starbilled in h own motion pictur "Desperately Seekir Susan."

Portraying one of the villains in "A View to a Kill" was none other than Grace Jones.

The biggest comedy hit was "Beverly Hills Cop" starring hot comedian, Eddie Murphy.





Polls

Movie: Beverly Hills Cop
TV Show: Dynasty
Female Singer: Madonna
Male Singer: Bruce Springsteen
Vocal Group: Chicago
Song: You're the Inspiration
Soap Opera: All My Children
Concert: Chicago



Crossing over from the Christian music to the pop charts was Amy Grant.



Diana Ross was one of the over-forty music artists who banded together to record the song, "We Are the World."

Her hot record and concert sales and daring bad-girl image catapulted Madonna to the top of the music and show-business world.



Courtesy — *Time*



any established musicians, including John graty, came back with t songs.

Music Mania

It was the year that not only new acts hit it big, but also artists who have been around re-hashed their careers.

Bruce Springsteen's album, "Born in the USA" released four chart-toppers while Tina Turner swept the Grammy Awards with her comeback album "Private Dancer."

The year's Michael Jackson turned out to be Prince. His soundtrack "Purple Rain" produced the most successful single of the year, "When Doves Cry." It also produced three more hit songs, "Let's Go Crazy," "Purple Rain," and "I Would Die for U."

The biggest news in the music industry, however, was the "USA for Africa" campaign. Inspired by Band Aid, a group formed by British artists, "USA for Africa" got together for an all night recording session after the American Music Awards Presentations. The group, headed by Quincy Jones, Lionel Richie, Michael Jackson, and Stevie Wonder, included such big name personalities as Diana Ross, Pointer Sisters, Kenny Rogers, and Cyndi Lauper.

And then there was Madonna. The reigning queen of Glitzy, Trashy, Sexy, Techno-Pop, with success in her hand, proved to everyone that this was her year. However, music industry insiders still predict that next year will be her peak. Her album, "Like A Virgin" was the third most successful of the year. It produced such hits as "Like A Virgin" and "Material Girl."

In reference to her statement, "I want to conquer the world!" at an MTV interview, Madonna is on her way.



The "Bi-level Cut" was seen on many of the girls, including Patti Noster.

Mary Trespeces was one of the few fashion models attending North Mesquite.



Hairstyles

Hairstyle have come a long way for American teenagers. Hairstyles change as much as a chameleon changes its color. In the Fifties, boys had greaded-back ducktails while girls had their hair up in ribbons. In the Sixties, a guy's hippie-style long hair went side by side a girl's bouffant hairdo. In the Seventies, feathered or wings were "in" for the guys, while the Farrah Fawcett curly locks were common among the girls.

And what now? Another change?

Well, at North Mesquite, students certainly keep up with the trends. Dominating the guys hairs is the "New Wave" look. This "look" however, has many hairstyles. The most common is the spike, where the hair stands up at a certain part.

There is also the "mushroom" where the layers are exaggerated therefore, forming a mushroom-shaped hairdo.

Perhaps, the most controversial of all is the "Tail." In this hairdo, a long strip of hair is left uncut, forming a tail.

For the girls, its either bi-level or prep-cut. A bi-level cut divides the hair in two different lengths — the front part short and back part long.

A prep-cut is reminiscent of the "That Girl" hairstyle popularized by Marlo Thomas in the late sixties. The front consists of bangs, straight or wavy. The back is either straight length or unevened swoop.

But all this could change when summertime comes. A hairstyle at North Mesquite is like a season. It changes as the months pass by.

Chic to Chic

As little girls, it was a dream to become a Miss America or a glamorous movie star. But that was a long time ago. Now, a very common dream is shared by millions of little girls around the country.

Now, the ultimate dream is to grace the covers of *Vogue, Cosmopolitan,* and *Seventeen* or to walk down the run-ways during a fashion show wearing clothes by Norma Kamali, Halston, and Calvin Klein. The dream is to become a fashion model and at North Mesquite, that dream is becoming a reality to some girls.

Several students at North Mesquite have found semi-careers as models. They become members of the Town East Teen Board. The Teen Board, where membership is decided by auditions, model outfits that are predicted to be the trend that following season.

Most of the shows are held at the four large department stores at the mall: Joske's, Dillards' Sears, and Sanger-Harris.

Some of the members include Kimberly Rogers, Sandra Martin, Kim Russell, and Mary Trespeces.

Mary, who has the high cheekbones and the height two necessary qualities needed for modeling, has been interested in modeling since she was a little girl. Mary stated, "I think I played dress-up more than the average little girl did!"

Priscilla Martin, however, has taken her dream one step further. She has gotten a contract with a top modeling agency in Dallas. And after graduation Priscilla plans to do more modeling.

If all this sounds too far fetched, think twice. Keep in mind that Jeri Hall, a.k.a. Mrs. Mick Jagger, who models for the world-famous Eileen Ford Modeling Agency and was a one-time student at North Mesquite, had the same aspirations!

Fashion Flares

New Wave Fashion wandered into the halls of North Mesquite in the form of Chris Gist, Dee Richards and Lonnie Pollard.



When walking down the North Mesquite hallways, one of the most noticable things is the different fashion trends that linger among the students.

Bright and bold colors seemed to dominate the student body's attire. These ranged from the daring floral blouses to the very popular Jams to the fluorescent sweatshirts, socks and even fluorescent camouflage attire.

For the less daring and for those with a knack for easy-going basic fashions, stone-washed jeans was the answer. These jeans came striped, inverted, or cropped. Stone-washed denims not only appeared in the form jeans, but also as mini-skirts, vests, and jackets.

As students became more playful because of Spring fever, so did their clothes. Madonna's fashion influenced the girls. Wearing lacy blouses, stockings, and hair accessories, these Madonna look-alikes graced the hallways of North Mesquite.

The guys chose to wear T-shirts with messages from "Frankie Goes to Hollywood" and "Wham!."

Basically, fashion for the 1984-85 school year were influenced by New Wave music artists. Its distinct flavor for bright colors and bold patterns were in complete contrast to last year's preppy earth-tone colored fashions.



Stephanie Reynal modeled the new look in fashion, bright, bold colored clothes, while Kathy Henderson stands by.

Plain T-shirts with prints of radical messages were favored by Shawn Matyne and Kim Cason, among others.

Autographs

Mrs. Miller serves a piece of cake that her daughter made to Julie Trammell.



Soon-to-Be-Grads Gather for a

Senior Breakfast

The crowd started gathering in the cafeteria about 7:30 a.m. On Wednesday May 15 the Youth Advisory Council, along with the cafeteria personell prepared breakfast for the entire senior class. Senior Kurt Brockman stated, "I really enjoyed it. I got to talk to people I don't normally get to talk to."

The menu included cream puffs, sweet rolls, little sausages, fruit, graduation cake, coffee, and orange juice.

Senior Chris Rittmuller said, "It was really fun. I got to see people probably for the last time during school."

"The food was very well prepared, and the ladies and the Youth Advisory Council did a good job in setting it up," commented senior Kerri Lawbaugh.

Another satisfied senior, Pam Rhodes, summed the event up by saying, "The food was great. The decorations were really pretty, and it was very nice of the Youth Advisory Council to set this up for us."

***What did** you think about the senior breakfast?*

***It is the** best food we have ever had at school. The ladies did a good job. I really liked it. — Linda Campbell*

***The cafeteria** ladies deserve a big thank you. It was great. — Sean Self*



***eniors** Lisa Blevins and Sherry ue enjoy the delicious food that as prepared.*



***im Cowan,** Stephanie Reynal, d Shawn Kessler pile their plates gh.*



***The cafeteria workers** are:*
(front row) Doris Wood, Noma Hiller, Lodie Little, Mary Foster, Pat Miller.
(second row) Mildred Hettick, Retta Torrence, Geneva Struble, Brenda Pfoh, Maudie Stephens.
(third row) Jarline Talasek, Shirley Webb, Becky Foster, Marie Fenner.
(back row) Fay Millican, Oleta Horton, Gertie Rupard.



Cindy Lamb and Ka
Cavender discuss the trials.

***What was** it like to visit the jail?*

***It was** really radical. We actually talked to an inmate without bars between us. He said it wasn't worth it but that lady who took us around said he would be back so I learned how they lie.*
— Kim Cason

***It was** scary basically because it was so realistic. Just to see the people that were in there made you want to never be put in with them.*
— Michelle Bentley

***Scary!** It made me want to stay in my own house and do nothing so I don't ever get in trouble!! That place is pathetic!!*
— Teri Carter

***The jail** visit was very informative. I learned of the procedures used when a person is arrested and the way that the inmates relay messages.*
— Kathy Henderson



Business Law Students Spend

A Day in Court

What is Business Law? What does it involve? Business Law is a course, taught by Mr. Robert Shiflet where students learn their rights and privileges as a citizen and how to read a contract and get the best of a deal. As Phillip Miller stated, "Business Law will help me because I will be more knowledgeable about my rights as a businessman and as a person."

There are guest speakers and visits to the Dallas County jail. Kimberly Varner said, "It was pretty depressing. We saw what the jail was like, and we heard stories about other prisoners. We even talked to one; he told us what it was like to be in there."

Along with visiting the jail most students sat in on a trial. "The one I visited was about a guy who shot his girlfriend and the coroner was telling about the cause of death at the time we were there," Shannon Barnes said. Bonnie Perkins attended another explaining, "A man was on trial for the murder of a teenager who was dealing drugs in his Waffle House."

Other than a murder trial Luann Mullis sat in on a sexual assault trial. "The trial I attended was about an aggravated sexual assault that dealed with a ten year old girl. I got very depressed because it was so sad, she said."

Although Business Law scares everyone by the jail visits, it also helps students to comprehend the law and how much trouble one could get in if he broke the law. As Melany Guy said, "I have a better understanding of how the law works and of the things that are involved in classifying different situations. I also have more knowledge of how the laws can protect me and my rights."

Business Law also involves a mock trial. This is a trial set-up for a class project where students are either lawyers or witnesses.

Lisa Phillips said, "I feel that Business Law will help me in choosing a career for myself and will help in my business dealing." Or as Linda Lenard stated, "I have learned a lot about the business world and about contracts, and the laws regarding employment. But as Richard Pearson puts it, "It is good if someone wants to be a lawyer. This is a good experience."



Jena Locust awaits to enter the Dallas County Court House.



athy Henderson, Melany ty and Janna Pruitt wait for the al to begin.



A group of guys ponder at the newspaper stand as they await to enter the Court House.

Seniors take over government and serve in

City Posts

For one day the Municipal Government was in the hands of 18-year-olds. Fifty-six N.M. seniors were elected city government posts, and served as leaders on March 8, 1985.

"Student Government Day was a chance for the students to become acquainted with the government of Mesquite and learn a little bit about how the city is run," Mike Vestal explains.

The seniors began the day about 8:30 a.m. at City Hall listening to instructions given by Mayor Bronhilde Nystrom. After the seniors were introduced to the city council, they were each given name tags and assigned to their positions. "Each student is shown by his counterpart, what their job is and what they do every day," Miles Haberer said.

After each student toured the courthouse, they were invited for a special luncheon at D.A.C. Country Club given by Mayor Nystrom. There the seniors received their certificates of participation from Congressman John Bryant.

Later, the "officials" trailed back to the courthouse and took the positions of the city council and conducted a mock trial. "We spent half of the day with the city officials whose places we took," Gary Joe Kinne said.

"The students who are elected by other students put on a mock trial at the city courthouse. I don't think it will directly help me but I did learn a lot and enjoyed the experience. I hope that this tradition wil continue for the benefit of other students," Mike Vestal commented.



***Mike Vestal** receives his name tag from his city council representative.*



***Eric Stone** swears his oath of office.*



***A city official** goes through the looks to show Paul Cannady how to look up tax records.*



***Belinda Garza,** Cynthia Goode, and Nanny Stutts listen to an advertisement agreement.*



***Wayne McKee** gives his testimony against Bobby Montes at a mock trial.*

City Officials

Mayor
Chris Phelps
Place 1
Belinda Garza
Place 2
Todd Ferrara
Place 3
Nanny Stutts
Place 4
Cynthia Goode
Place 5
Tracey Way
Place 6
David Farris
City Manager
Paul Teagle
City Secretary
Amy Ashmore
Municipal Court Judge
Chuck Houpt
City Attorney
Eric Stone
City Health Officer
Janet Bryant
Assistant City Manager
Steve Kauitzsch
Director of Community Development
Gary Joe Kinne
Director of Finance
Mike Vestal
Fire Chief
Tommy Hubacek
Director of Library
Krysla Threkeld
Director of Parks and Recreation
Chris Youman
Director of Personnel
Vincent Guerra
Police Chief
Mike Collins
Director of Public Services
Bobby Montes
Assistant to City Manager
Kris Kath
Assistant to Police Chief
Micheal Johnson
Assistant Fire Chief
Ken Grant
Assistant Ciy Attorney
Sandy Walker
Data Processing Supervisor
Deanna Starkey
City Health Inspector
Mark Nester
Building Official
Alan Warta
City Planner
Wayne McKee
City Engineer
Steve Skinner
Housing Administrator
Craig Murphy
Traffic Engineer
Julie Nichols
Manager — Division of Collections
Paul Cannady
Purchasing Agent
Steve Novakovich
Budget Officer
Brian Fitzgerald
Manager — Division of Accounts
Mon Charles Tipay
Municipal Court Clerk
Jennifer Leggett
Supervisor of Branch Library Services
Curtis Arthur
Supervisor of Technical Services (Library)
Lynnette Conely
Supervisor of Public Services (Library)
Jeff Gloden
Park Superintendent
Kristy Williams
Recreation Superintendent
Kim Davis
Park Planner
Chris Hamilton
Training & Safety Supervisor
Kelly McPherson
Sanitation Superintendent
Miles Haberer
Utilities Superintendent
Michelle Kirkpatrick
Street Superintendent
Rhonda Hartman
Service Center Superintendent
Suzie Marryman

Band members travel on

A Three Day Affair

The bandhall area was not as busy as Central Expressway. It was more like LBJ Freeway and filled with students packing their instruments in cases and folding their wire music stands. The auditorium had its share of over a hundred suit cases, numerous coat bags, coolers of all shapes and sizes, several pillows, and a teddy bear or two.

This was not a typical day. The date was April 12, the first of the Honors — Symphonic bands' three day trip to Houston for the Astro World Music Festival.

At approximately 12 noon, the four "Greyhounds" arrived at the school and the cases, coolers, pillows, etc., were loaded up into the buses.

The 150 students, directors, and chaperones, equipped with Walkmans, cameras, numerous sacks of junk-food, boarded the buses and so began the five hour venture to Houston.

After a 30-minute rest stop halfway to Houston, the buses finally reached their destination, and all passengers checked into the Marriott Hotel.

Dinner was served at Houston area's famous Christie's Steaks and Seafood. Variations of shrimps, fish, steaks, crabs, and occasional cheeseburger platters were in order. With a curfew at 12:00 midnight, the students had time to visit and wander throughout the hotel before retiring for the night.

The next morning was contest day and the students had warm-up rehearsals. At the actual contest, the Symphonic Band peformed "Satiric Dances," "Polly Oliver," and "Sound-Off" for the judges.

The Honors Band's playing time was 1:30 where "The Mad Major" and "Symphony No. 2-Movement II" were played for the judges. At the end of the competition, Symphonic Band received an over-all rating of "2" and the Honors Band walked away with a "1" from all three judges. Out of over twenty-five bands competing in their division, the NMHS Honors Band was one of only three to receive straight "1's."

With the competition behind them, the students, along with the chaperones and directors, spent the rest of the day at AstroWorld. All went well until the rain pounded Houston and most of the rides were forced to close down.

However, that did not stop some of the band members. Richard Harwell said, "We had more fun in the rain because on the Roaring Rapids ride, you didn't care if you got wet because the rain did that for you. Plus, there was hardly a long line!"

As the park closed down at 10:00, the bands headed back to the hotel. Some agreed that the real fun started there. Curfew was extended to 12:30 a.m. and the students took advantage. Although at all times, no girls could enter the boys' rooms and vice-versa, there were efforts to out wit the chaperones. The next day, after a voluntary church service, the bands visited AstroWorld once more before heading back to Mesquite.

Once again, the five-hour trip back was accompanied with Walkmans, sleep, candid picture-taking, sleep, junk food, and more sleep. Stacie Loomis added, "This is the funnest time I've had this year. This is what I looked forward to all year long!"



Wendy McGinnis *Edward Abarquez, and Kayla Price take one last pose before heading back to Mesquite.*



Mr. John Kline *tunes up with the woodwinds before competition starts.*



Waiting for the Greyhounds, *Kevin Shivers and Richard Harwell pass the time by doing the infamous Psycho "shower scene."*

Donavan Hudson, *Andrea McFadden, Ursula Walker, and Katy Horton wait for the final "splash-down."*



What is *the funniest thing that happened at the Houston trip?*

Seeing *everyone all soaking wet after the rain.*
— Kayla Price

When Grant Richardson *fell into the fountain in the park. — Edward Abarquez*

Almost getting caught *when you're doing something that you're not supposed to be doing. — Anonymous*

The 496 Seniors Demonstrate to Underclassmen

Spirit From the Top

"Two bits, four bits, six bits, a dollar — all for the Stallions — stand up and holler!"

The cheer rang throughout the gym during football season. The seniors lead in boosting the Stallion team along. As experienced students, the seniors stood-up for their school and showed a school spirit that shined above all others.

Ronda Paschal explained, "The seniors contributed a different kind of spirit. One which everyone could join in on!"

School spirit filled the school. It was contagious and wide spread. Lisa Tyree said, "There could have been a lot more spirit, but thanks to House Bill 72, a dark cloud hung over us all throughout the year."

There are many ways to support a team and show school spirit. The cheerleaders organized pep rallies to promote school spirit with performances from the Pacesetters and the band. This was an opportunity the seniors took advantage of. They dressed-up for the occasion and cheered their team against their opponents.

Mark Dilodovico said, "A student shows school spirit by participation in pep rallies and attendance at specified school functions, such as the powder puff game."

There are many other times in which the seniors showed school spirit and pride.

The powder puff game against the juniors was a function where the seniors showed great pride. But one of the major events in which seniors most express and display their school spirit is on graduation night.

This is a time where all seniors are proud for what they have stood for.

"The seniors, overall, were a good influence and probably will stimulate the upcoming classes to be Stallion spirited," Claudia Perez said.



***Tracey Way** cheers on the foo ball team before school for her la year.*

***MonCharles** Tipay and Ke Craft lead the Pacesetters at th powder puff game.*





Jamie Shipman *struts her stuff during the pep rally before school.*

The senior girls *get excited during the powder puff game.*







Woody Robinson *and Krysla Threlkeld show their smiles of senior relief after the musical.*

Kim Nottingham *shows her determination and hard work during a football half time show.*

How do you *feel that the seniors contributed to the school spirit.*

Seniors always *seem to have more spirit that the underclassmen because they realize that they don't have much longer to cheer for the Stallions. It's like a last chance to support your Alma Mater. — Andrea Harris*

I think *most of the seniors have a great deal of pride in this school because of all our various achievements over the years. This pride is especially evident whenever a school rival needs to be reminded who we are.*
— John Caton

Many of *the seniors are in other organizations which lend support and promote school spirit. Some seniors were determined to enjoy the year and set out to have fun. — Lisa Tyree*

They contributed *by showing their spirit and relief due to their last year of high school. — Tammy Watkins*



The pressure's on as Christi Hart, junior, runs with the ball to try to score for the White team.

What was your opinion of NM's first Powder Puff football game?

I thought the game was an excellent idea. I know that the juniors are already planning next year's victory.

— David Burgan

It was simply outrageous. Probably one of the more exciting things to occur this year.

— Larry Whitworth

It was a lot more enjoyable than selling T-shirts!

— Kristy Williams

It was an excellent idea! The students performed beautifully and the spectators had only positive comments about it.

— Sue Braden, Jr. counselor





o-head senior cheerleader (the blonde) Mike Collins and Paul nnaday try to get the crowd rowdy.

Matt Kinkeade, Larry Whitworth, and Capt. Ken Craft stand in formation during the Homecoming ceremonies.

Refs Chris Yoeman, David Burgan, Chuck Houpt, and Brad Winkfein discuss the game on the sidelines during a time-out.





The proud Pacesetter, Chris Terry, junior, acts very Pacesetterish with his high-tops and good luck rose.



Before she hi... ...isti... Sumner, Junior, c... ...s to her teammates De... ...Jennifer Johnson, Pam ... Penny Armstrong, ... Suzie Merryman, ...ifer, Sandy Walker, ...ah Pan...on.

To Raise Money and to Entertain, the Powder Puff Football Game Was

A Time for Trading Places

A major dilemma was presented to the Prom Council: How to raise money to defray the cost of the prom?

With assemblies out of the question as a result of HB 72, and T-shirt sales virtually useless, a new idea was presented to Mrs. Sue Braden, junior counselor: A Powder Puff football game.

After viewing a game at another school last year, Priscilla Martin wanted to use this idea as a fund raiser, and since it sounded like a good idea, Mrs. Braden decided to go for it.

"It was organized by the junior and senior class officers who recruited everyone involved," Mrs. Braden said.

Though publicity for the event was minimal, turnout was tremendous. Attendance raked in over $1200 with more than 600 tickets sold.

Entertainment was never so bizarre. It began with the Homecoming ceremonies.

Paul Teagle, escorted by his mother Carolyn Teagle, was crowned Powder Puff Sweetheart.

Next, the players of each team were announced then greeted warmly by their cheerleaders.

After the coin toss determining that the Seniors would have the ball, the game began on the line of scrimmage.

It began with everyone playing fair, but as the girls got more competitive and more determined to score, they got rougher. There was almost as much tackling, tripping, and shoving as at a real football game, with the refs throwing a flag on almost every play.

In borrowed cheerleader skirts they performed their own original cheers and attempted to do jumps.

At one point during the game, all ten of them got together to introduce each other, but not before the juniors succeeded in picking a fight with the seniors by trying to steal the seniors' trampoline. The trampoline was used by the seniors to perform gymnastic antics. Chris Hamilton and Mike Collins stole the show.

Finally it was time for the half-time show. Eleven junior and senior boys decked out in skirts, wigs, and balloons, traipsed onto the field and did a kick routine to "Girls Just Wanna Have Fun."

To finish the routine, instead of doing the jump splits, they jumped onto their chests to burst all of the balloons at once. This earned them a standing ovation.

At the end of the routine the Pacesetters-of-the-week were announced: Steve Skinner and Larry Whitworth.

The game ended in a tie score: 0-0.



***A shocked** Mrs. Carolyn Teagle catches her breath as they announce her son Paul as Powder Puff Sweetheart. Paul blushes at the honor.*

NM Students Come To School Dressed Every Way Showing

It Takes All Kinds

There are certain high schools whose majority of students adapt to the same lifestyle or same style of clothing. Take for example a big city high school. It's the territory where normal is "out" and punk is "in."

A student's status in society is judged by how many holes are in her ears or by how tall her hair is. Across town, in the land of Mercedes Benzes and Polos is the upper-class area high school. In this section of town, almost every student has a trace of preppiness in them. Whether they wear just socks with the Polo insignia or a whole outfit consisting of loafers, argyle socks, pleated wool slacks, and a Polo oxford shirt under an argyle vest, these preppies spend their day outstudying, out-classing, and out-preppying each other.

And then there are ropers. Ropers are those students that look like they just stepped out of an old "Rawhide" episode. Complete with a faded ring on the back pocket of their Wrangler jeans and a pinch "Between the cheek and gums," ropers amble through the hallways with the thoughts of the big rodeo in their minds.

Ropers dominate numerous schools in towns with a population of less than one hundred and seventeen. But at North Mesquite, no one type of group dominates because in "Stallion Country," it takes all kinds. It's not uncommon to see one group of students wearing their loafers and argyles pass by a totally different group of students with wild-printed clothes and multi-styled and multi-colored hair. Karen Graham comments, "It's sad that students get automatically categorized by what they wear."

A good place to catch these three groups in action is in the school cafeteria. At one table, the punkers can be seen eating their "snack bar" lunches and biting to the rhythm of the latest hits by "U-2," "Frankie Goes To Hollywood," and "The Bangles." Meanwhile, the ropers are spotted ordering their square meals consisting of chicken-fried steak, French fries, and at least two cartons of milk. During all this commotion, the always fashion-conscious preppies are seen ordering foods with colors that match the colors of their outfits — usually red Jello, green salad, and beige iced-tea.

Their respected impressions are not only limited to school hours, however. When the 3:30 bell rings on Friday afternoons, the ropers drive away in their Chevy S-10's heading towards old Mesquite, the preppies head towards the nearest shopping malls in their Camaros, and the punkers, with their car radios tuned on KEGL, drive away to North Dallas in search of "Rox-z's" and "Zebo's."



***"Different"** is an under statement when explaining Senior Ken Craft's every day punk garb. With his tiger-striped canvas high-tops, bandana, and concert T-shirt, he relaxes in the lobby of the auditorium.*



***In penny loafers,** sweater-vest, and bead necklace, Senior Barrett Haberer, a future SMU prep, thinks that preppie is better.*



"Howdy!" Sean Kessler, senior, cheerfully greets, clad in his rodeo gear — hat, boots, chaps, riding glove, and over-sized belt buckle.



"I'm not that preppie!" exclaims Sophomore Lisa Ash, in her walking shorts, Polo, and top siders — typical preppie attire.

Kelly McPherson, Senior, can keep warm punk style in his long trenchcoat and scarf. The trenchcoat became a trademark of the male punks this winter.



***What style** do you prefer?*

***I like** preppie best because I find ropers and punks disgusting!"*

— Cheryl Hartman

***Punk!** Because it's not conservative and it's easier for me to associate with.*

— Bret Alexander

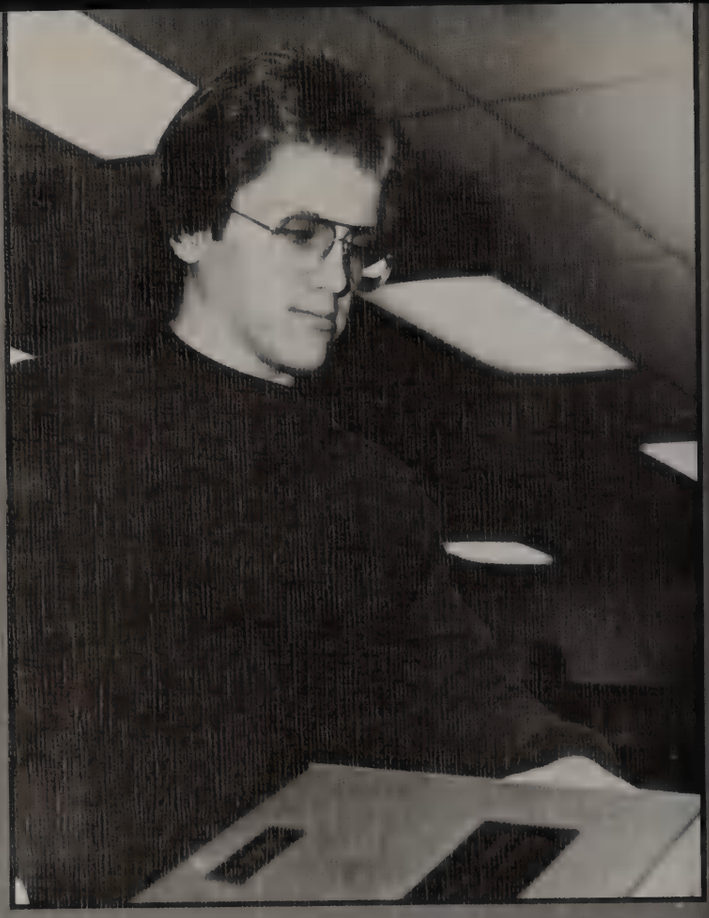
***I like** preppie the most because I like most of the clothes that go along with that fad.*

— Tommy Morton

English is made a little easier for Lisa Skinner as Ms. Bennett explains an assignment to her.



Alan Warta uses the library's copy machine to record information for a term paper.



Students' Routines Make Every Day

A Typical Day

6:30 am Student turns off alarm clock and vows to get up in "just a minute."

7:00 am Mom bursts into student's bedroom, turns on the overhead light, and delivers a cheerful "Good Morning" message. Student responds by pulling the sheet over his head.

7:10 am Student sleeping. Mom returns, but instead of a cheerful "Rise and Shine!", she offers a threat: "If you don't get up right now I'm going to just let you sleep and you'll be late to school." Student drags his body out of bed to quiet Mom.

7:15 am Student gets into the shower, but forgets to adjust the water temperature. Student is shocked by either a scalding hot or ice cold burst of water. This stimulus provokes a very awake feeling in the student.

7:25 am Student goes through his routine of dressing, grooming, and eating.

8:00 am Student passes time by watching reruns of *The Little Rascals* or *The Three Stooges.*

8:15 am A commercial interrupts the television show that the student had become engrossed in. A glance at the clock makes the student realize he is going to be late to school. The student hastily rushes to his car to begin the drive to school.

8:25 am Our student arrives at school after getting a traffic ticket for speeding through a school zone. He hears the last bell ring as he walks to the building from his parking space in the most remote corner of the lot.

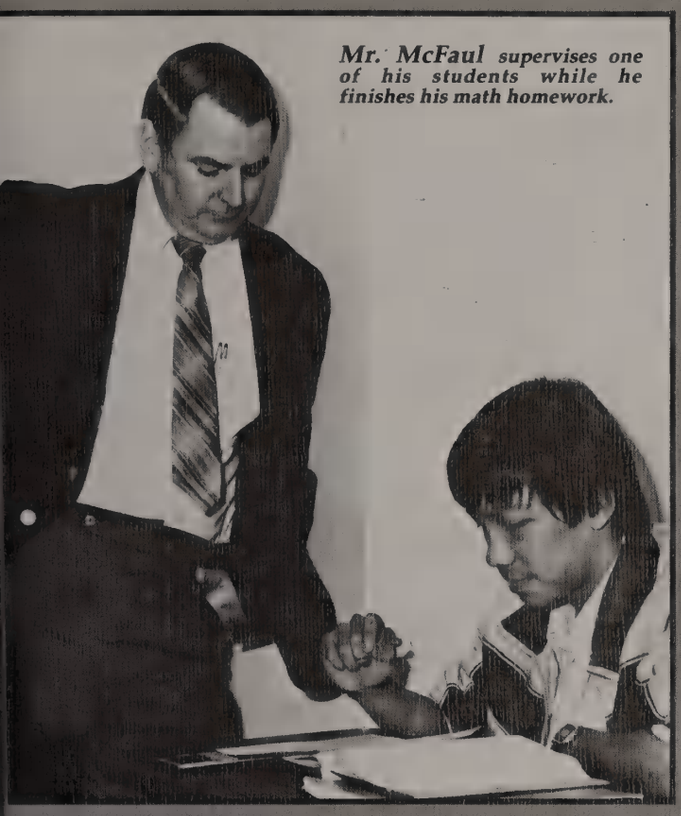
12:30 pm Lunchtime. By now, the student has visited the office for being tardy to first period, received a "zero" on a homework paper because he left it at home in the rush to leave for school, and waited in a lunch line while fifty people before him paid for their meals.

3:30 pm The final bell rings and the student trudges out to his car. On the way he drops a folder, the contents of which scatter to all corners of the parking lot because of the wind.

5:00 pm Our student takes his place at his part-time job. He has to work to pay for the car that he has used to be late to school in.

10:00 pm Our student eats a Twinkie or other similarly nutritious snack before "crashing." He needs his sleep so that he can make it through tomorrow, which promises to be just another typical day.





Mr. McFaul supervises one of his students while he finishes his math homework.

***How do** you start a typical day?*

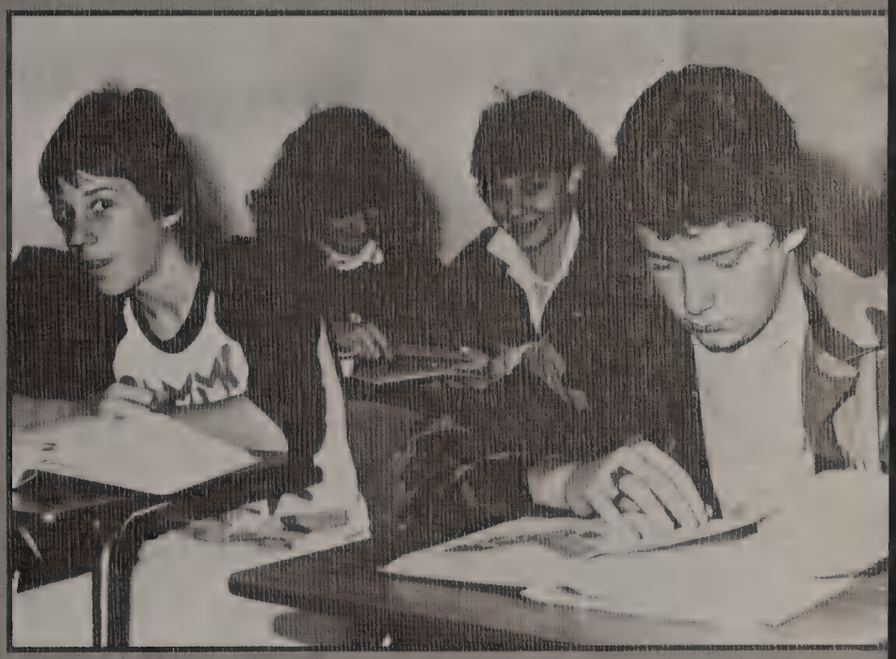
***First I'm** late to first period. Then I'm late to all my other classes.*
– Sandy Walker

***I stare** at my Honeycombs 'till they're soggy.*
– Chris Gist

***I wrestle** with my two St. Barnards.*
– Kernie Brashier

***I eat** that breakfast that every doctor says is "good for you."*
– Patricia Gonzalez





Melissa Kay, Shari Warner, and Tammy Fuller concentrate on various assignments in Ms. Wohlschlaeger's English class.

The teacher having finished lecturing, Jason Washburn and Kristopher Kidd wait for class to end.



Charyl Hartman, Cathy Morgan, Sheri Thompson, Sherry Baldwin, and Lynette Connelly strut their stuff in Dallas Cowboy Cheerleaders' theme song, "If My Friends Could See Me Now."



***Dee Richards recovers** from a leap in "Your Body" routine.*

Pacesetter stage show provides an

Invitation to Dance

At 7:15 p.m., band director John Kline sets up the sound system. He slides a cassette into the recorder and the tape breaks. "What am I going to do if I have to reprogram leaving out two songs?"

"I was so scared I wasn't going to find my tights in time," says Kim Varner. Lost shoes, two right-handed gloves, tights with a last minute runner, missing hatbands, mixed-up shoes, and last minute skirmishes for a mirror were all typical of pre-show jitters for the Pacesetters' annual stage show, 'Invitation to Dance.'

So Mr. Kline re-recorded a new tape, and the show went on beginning with the seniors being escorted by their fathers followed by the junior routine "Invitation to Dance." After that came the line-up of routines,

The Pacesetters performed together as a whole this year during show. "There were obstacles and mistakes, but it's how we recover from these errors that makes us qualify performers," says Mr. Thomas, drill team sponsor.

After the first half of the show, Pam McFarland sang "Missing You," then the former Pacesetters and parents of Pacesetters were recognized.

Captain Leslie Langford said, "This is our last performance ya'll. Make it look GOOD!" So the 1984-1985 Pacesetters chalseed onto the stage to the annual "Daybreak," with smiles on their faces and tears in their eyes, knowing that they did indeed, look good.

rri Carter and Salisa len *do the junior skit to eaks Come Out At Night."*



What was *most unique and outstanding about the stage show?*

My most *favorite part must have been when all the senior Pacesetters got together for their final routine. — Tommy Morton*

The whole *show was good, but I liked the dance where they used flashlights. — Holly Casey*

All the *Pacesetters did a good job, and their routines were neatly planned and performed. — Cindy Hedgepeth*



Donna York and Dena Farnesworth *do their cop dance to "Heat is On."*

The 'jug band' *does their thing to the "Country and Western Medley."*





Michelle Lewis, Cheryl Hartman, Felicia Means, Sherry Baldwin, and Cathy Morgan *pose in "Torcher."*

The numbers: *"Invitation To Dance," "Burning Up," "Toture," "Freaks Come Out At Night," "Country and Western Medley," "Let's Go Crazy," "Neutron Dance," "If My Friends Could See Me Now," "The Can Can," "Step in Time," "Body," "The Heat is On," "Photogenic," "High School Dance," and "Daybreak."*



Cindy Killian proudly walks off stage after nervously receiving her diploma cover.



Richard Gotthardt delivers his salutatorian speech to parents and peers.

How did *you feel when you moved the tassel from the right to the left?*

That I *had accomplished something real big and that I would not be seeing most of the people around me again. – Edward Abarquez*

I thought *we did it at the wrong time. I felt relieved that I did not have to go to school anymore. – Kayla Price*

I'm moving *up in the world! – Kristen Crockett*

That a big *burden had been lifted off of my shoulder and that I would be starting a whole new life from what it is now. – Cindy Killian*



Claire Elsey and Mike Embry smile while anxiously awaiting time to go on.



The Graduating Class of 1985 Hopes in

Changing the World

Superintendent, Dr. Ralph Poteet spoke of excellence and achievement. Richard Gotthardt spoke of friends and good times, and Randy Trosper spoke of pride and changing the world. Then the moment had finally arrived.

Principal John Campbell took the podium and announced that the seniors had completed the requirements for graduation and as the 496 seniors moved their blue and white tassels from the left to the right side of their mortar boards. The senior class of 1985 had arrived!

Beginning on time at 8:30 p.m., on May 27, the senior class entered Reunion Arena with shouts from parents, friends, and underclassmen.

Each senior was placed in line by Mrs. Robbie Locke and told to "go". Lined up and waiting until the last senior entered they all stood smiling and shaking in their shoes.

During Richard and Randy's speeches, anxious seniors jumped the gun and popped their party poppers before time.

A sigh of relief swept over the arena and cheers were heard everywhere as they nervously stood to walk across the stage and receive their diplomas.



***borah Blakney** stands in · before walking into the "lime it."*



***Paul Cannady** and Jim Cain turn in their gowns for their diplomas.*

***The class** of 1985 anxiously awaits while the processional has already begun.*

Class of '85

The time has come, we're nearing end,
When we'll leave our school and high school friends.
We'll seek new adventures, chase new stars,
But in our hearts our alma mater will never be far.
Some will go on to reach higher goals,
The others will remain just as tall and bold.
When we come back together in many years,
We'll see old friends and share our tears.
Seeing old loves we use to have,
Thinking of all the fun we had.
Times may change, people may grow old,
But no one will ever change the memories we hold.
Before we know it our time has flown by
And there will only be the memory of
The Class of '85.

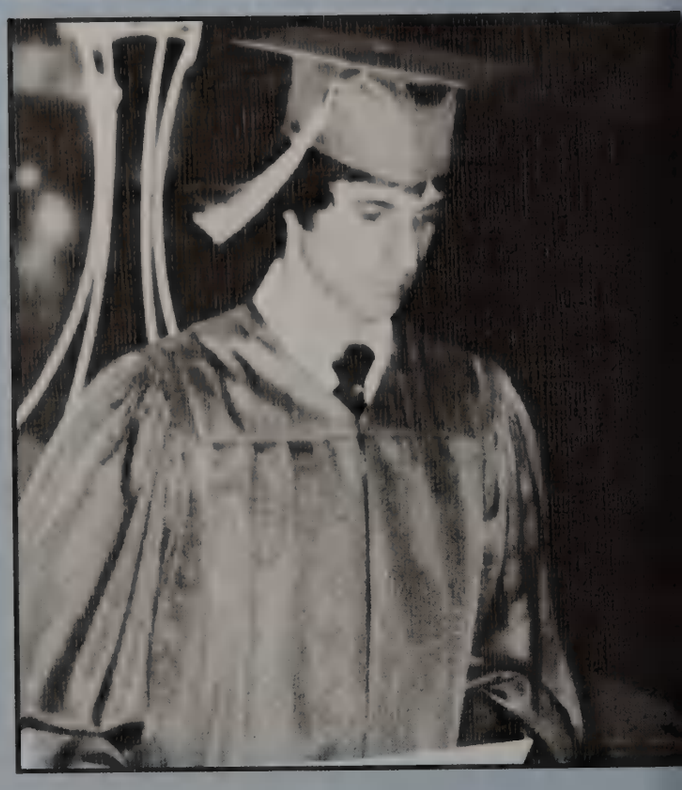
Pam Hiller



***Lisa Blevins** awaits her big moment to make her grand entrance.*



***Edward Abarquez** and Sherry Blue show their excitement after it is all over with.*



***Kurt Brockman** hurriedly walks off stage after getting his diploma.*



***Proudly the** class of '85 celebrated with party poppers.*



***Waiting to** be seated the seniors await their peers to enter.*

Graduates think about

Changing the World

After the seniors walked across the stage, party poppers flew across the arena and tears flowed. Hugs were given out by the dozens and then the recessional began.

Juniors now became seniors and they turned their class rings around awaiting their turn.

With Edward Abarquez leading, they left with smiles and almost ran behind the curtain. Almost every row left before its time and had to wait all jammed up at the end of the row. No one cared though.

"I thought that once we walked across the stage it was over. Then Mr. Pardon told me to go on and I didn't know what to do," confessed Edward Abarquez.

Behind the curtain seniors said good-bye for the last time and friends rushed down to congratulate them.

It was finally over! Stacie Loomis said, "After it was all over with I felt good. Like I had let go of the past and am starting a new life."

Everyone was crying and excited! Exchanging their gown for their diploma was a hassle among the crowded arena.

The parking lot was full of anxious seniors. Everyone left Reunion Arena headed for parties of some kind with friends and relatives.

Check Out

Organizations



Check out Organizations. "Service" was the word that associated with many of our organizations. The NHS united to gather canned goods for unfortunate families during the holiday season. Several Homemaking clubs visited rest homes bearing with them gifts and candies. During lunch, the French Club used their baking talents by selling homemade cookies and cakes at the school cafeteria. The Latin Club would not be outdone, however, as they sold over 1200 carnations for Valentine's Day. These, along with several organizations, are where we achieve much of our recognition.



Spirit guarded *by the Stallion Battalion, remains as an important part of the football games.*

As the lieutenant *of the flag corps, Sr. Kim Nottingham leads her squad during halftime.*

Foreign language students create

Latin Lingo

"The Latin Club will be sponsoring a car wash . . .," "Buy a Valentine carnation from the Latin Club . . .," and still the list goes on! Inflation does not even daunt the Latin Club, once again, Valentine Carnations were only $1.50.

Sponsored by Margie Taylor, the Latin Club not only sponsored fund-raising events, but also hosted a State Latin Club Convention at North Mesquite the weekend of March 1st and 2nd.

Organizing a convention for hundreds of students and teachers is no easy task, and club members and sponsor were busy for days planning a dance to be held on Saturday and finding room for all the different activities scheduled.

The Convention Olympics were held Saturday morning at the track. Latin students ran, jumped, and threw frisbees. Most of the competition was in the running events, but the frisbee throw was taken seriously too! Those placing 1st through 5th in the events were given awards.

There was also a Curtamin, which is somewhat like the Whiz Quiz competitions except that the questions concern Latin.

Overall, the convention seemed to be a success. One member commented, "The Convention was a lot of work, but it was worth it in the end."

Latin Club officers for 1985 are: Richard Gotthardt, President; Sharon Carter, Vice President; Sheila Wood, Secretary; Ellen Carroll, Treasurer; Kim Oliver, Social Chairman; and Karen Grahm, State Latin Club Convention Coordinator.

Junior Debbie Hardin remarked, "Participating in the Latin Club has helped me develop responsibility. Participating in the State Convention helped me learn how to deal with *many* different kinds of people."



Ricky Thomas, Jace ...uston, and Alan Warta ...cuss their plans for the Latin ...vention.



***Junior Ellen Carroll** does her part to keep America beautiful at the Latin Club Car Wash.*



***Keeping her mind** on her work, Jenny Leggett wraps Latin Club carnations.*



Latin Club

Row (1): Richard Gotthardt, Sharon Carter, Ellen Carroll, Shari Sawyer, Kim Scott, DeAnne Wilsh *Row (2):* Paul Snodgrass, Erich Hurst, Debbie Hardin, Kathy Starr, Julie Butler *Row (3):* Arif Jaffer, Theresa Lester, Kim Rowe, Konna Crouch, Bet... Buckner, Margie Taylor (sponsor) *Row (4):* Jan Farmer, Kay Starr, Bet... Peace, David Bowdoin, Anne Mo... ris, Shala Clevenger, Matt Baker



Chong Lee, ***Julie Butler, Kathy Star, Alan Warta, and Erich Hurst register Latin Convention participants.***

Ms. Margie Taylor, ***Latin Club sponsor, tries to restore some order to a somewhat harried carnation sale.***





erman Club

1:) Elke Reichel, Kathy Fisher, don Lewis, Shannon Stover, n Wilkins
2:) Linda Wells, Wendy Kelly, nnon Fields, Kimberley Stephens
(Row 3:) Thomas Prater, Stacy Stephens, Marit Tangen, Jacub Porse
(Row 4:) Bryan Perrigo, Ace Aleman, Mike Lee, Richard Ehrig — Sponsor

Tracie Estill, *Tomarie Miller and Kim Johnson wrap edibles at the French Club bake sale.*

Stacey Hale *and Bronya Tuley work the French Club bake sale.*







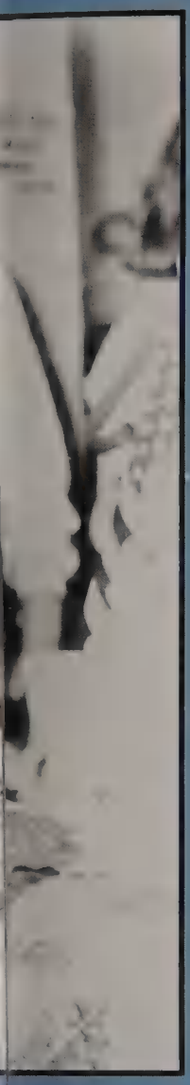
President *Tommy Hubacek tries to be authoritative at a French Club meeting.*

Tracie Estill, *Wayne McKee and Mme. Attaway listen respectfully to Melissa Perkins' thoughts on life.*





Spanish Club *Row 1:* Mrs. Benav... Mrs. Perry, Mrs. Holland, Elizabeth Ca... Kelly McPherson, Steve Kautizch, ... Vestal, Tracey Way, Jim Cain, Robert ... Melissa Loosier, Connie Sims, C... Cortez. *Row 2:* Chris Taylor, Ronnie ... Kim Davis, Larry Whitworth, W... Carver, Lisa Moya, Lisa Ash, B... Hernandez, Gerald Askue, Mike S... Alex Martin, Alison Orren, Suzon R... *Row 3:* Kayla Price, Steve Davis, B... Montes, Vincent Guerreu, Leslie Se... Tracy Malone, Rhonda Burton, Jill ... Kelly Van Leigh, Kim Russell, Lan... Harbout, Jason Frith, Lois Jones, ...



***Mme. Attaway** smiles nostalgically as she remembers the days of her youth.*



Both Spanish and French Clubs Keep Busy With

Foreign Affairs

"We are leaving the teachers' parking lot at 4:30, not 4:29 or 4:31, 4:30!" Any member of the French Club would recognize this statement, Mme. Linda Attaway is at it again — more culture! Whether it involves going to see French movies, going to French art exhibits, "investigating" French bakeries or just simply 'going somewhere besides Mesquite,' the French Club and Mme. Attaway explore Dallas at least once a month to discover *anything* that is French. One student remarked, "Going anywhere with Ms. Attaway is an adventure. For that matter, going to her class is an adventure, and you had better take a weapon."

For the first time in several years, the French Club has been having actual meetings and has elected some real officers. Newly elected president Tommy Hubacek began making plans for the first fund raiser — a bake sale. Secretary Tracie Estill made some announcements and the sale got under way! Cookies and cupcakes covered the floor of Ms. Attaway's room and Treasurer Tomarie Miller counted the profits. Vice-President Wayne McKee and Historian Carrie Laughlin watched contentedly as the money poured in, the sale was a success!

The French Club also had a Christmas party; as did the Spanish Club.

Sponsored by Ms. Perry and Ms. Benavides, Spanish Club members attended the Spanish Club Christmas Party at Ms. Benavides' home. Eating tacos, rice, and other Spanish dishes, club members chattered excitedly about the pending clubbing of the Piñata. After dinner and a few games, the Pinata was broken and gifts were exchanged.

This year's Spanish Club Officers include: Kelly McPherson, President; Steve Kauitzch, Vice-President; Mike Vestal, Secretary; Tracey Way, Treasurer; Jim Cain, Social Chairman; and Robert Babb, Program Chairman.

Sophomore Rob Hindman explained, "I joined the Spanish Club to become more familiar with the teachers and the students and to become more familiar with the customs and traditions of Spain." He added with a grin, "and the Christmas party was fun too!"



kubowski. *Row 4:* Angie Stegall, urt Brockman, Lisa Buitron, Bruce ıover, Phillip Miller, Laura cDonld, Laurie Gates, Keith ɔwan, Jimmy Pena, David hupbach, Paul Morones, Ajith hn, Jerry Sebastion, Troy Gustin. *ow 5:* Cheryl Houser, Tracy ehegan, Paul Sharp, Glenn orris, Brent Fisher, Kirk Sipes, ıb Hindman, Shawna Tauton, m Gustof, Emma Semmler, ana Roark, Sondra Fisher, Maria ttmuller, Tom Morton. *Row 6:* ark Wood, Elizabeth Haley, Howard Hunter, James Venrick, Stacy Davis, Joe Hubik, Philip Wilson, Jimmy Lee, Randy McCormick, Steve Skinner, Annette Hawkins, Connie Knox, Denise Petty. *Row 7:* Robbie Lopez, Becky Gondale, Brenda Stoval, Susan Pyles, Julia Quinteros. Lisa Skinner, Melissa Key, Tammy Driggars, Julie Owen, Marlene Waters, Lissa Krahn, Philip Doane, Damon Enriquez, Lee Brading, Keith Buckworth



French Club: *Front Row:* Mme. Linda Attaway, Tommy Hubacek, Tracie Estill, Carrie Laughlin, Tomarie Miller, Karen Stachowiak, DeAnn Holloway, Jennifer Avery, David Marrekk, MonCharles Tipay, Kelly McPherson, Susan Goodman, Tommy Malin, Scott Aldrich, David McCoy. *Row 2:* Donna Person, Krysla Threlkeld, Cynthia Goode, Jamie Stone, Leena Thomas, Alana Rattan, Cindy Ferrara, Xan Cooper, Jill Calverley, Stephanie Zimmerman, Jim Tyler, Rusty Rodgers, Judy Leerssen, Steve Franks, Sergio Espinosa, Jeff Leisure. *Row 3:* Becky McElyea, Eryn McSpadden, Mark Scott, Sandy Matassa, Cindy Culpepper, Connie Johnson, Mechelle Marshall, Marci Mangham, Staci Seabolt, Brandy Winkfein, Layne Trosper, Patrick Chapa, James Dunn, Jennifer Haas, Lydia LaNoue. *Row 4:* Greg Bouck, Jeff Doane, Kerrie Bittenteder, Carol Berg, Janet Bryant, Tara Rankin, Bonnie Whitaker, Amy Wilson, Andrea McFadden, Michelle Vorwerk, Vonna Thornburg, Laura Bender, Bronya Tuley, Shauna Earp, Jeff Good, Andy Hubacek. *Row 5:* Leslie Marriott, Susie Burkhalter, Antje Birkner, Jenifer Brooks, Kelly Foster, Michelle Bentley, Amy Rice, Erin Mattingley, Beth Videan, Kim Farnand, Stacey Hale, John Porter, Stefanie Hargrave, Tim McKenzie, Kristle Phillips. *Row 6:* Britain Willis, Forrest Scott, Chris Conder, Scot Sitzman, Kathy Niles, Melissa Clark, Dalla Cogan, Lori Edwards, Julie Holloman, Jennifer Conley, Dean McElyea, Susan Sanders, Jennifer Sanders. *Row 7:* John Boller, Mike Shirah, Jackie Buck, Lisa Drummond, Lisa Martin, Elke Reichel, Marit Tungen, Kristina Westerfield, Andre Bell, Melissa Perkins, Kim Lawrence, Stephanie Mills, Illya Scheck. *Row 8:* Greg Boling, Warren Grady, Kenneth Goolsby, Edward Baptista, Sean Landry, Deirdre Terry, Paul Hunter, Jon Mills, Wendy Plumer, John Griffen, Danny Odom, Traci Jeffers, Gary Wilson, Kevin Parmer



Dena Farnsworth, editor-in-chief; Melissa Jensen, business manager; Brent Bussey, photographer; Ms. Janet Jones, adviser; Jeff Lisle, advertising.

The Newspaper Staff wrote the news By

Expressing the Year

The *Pony Express* staff did more than just publish a school newspaper. Instead, they went a step further and produced a multi-award winning publication.

In December, the staff attended a journalism convention at Texas Woman's University in Denton. There, the *Pony Express* received All Texas and First Division ratings from the Texas High School Press Association.

At the University Interscholastic League press conference in March, the paper was awarded a First Division rating and the Award of Distinguished Merit.

At the UIL Spring Literary Meet, Billy Vaughan, news editor, won third place in news writing. Editor-in-chief Dena Farnsworth was an alternate in the headline writing contest.

The *Pony Express* underwent some changes from the previous year. Perhaps most visible was a changed nameplate. The staff also began using color and promotional advertising in the newspaper. Most popular with the students was the initiation of an incentive program in which a certificate good for five dollars was hidden in two newspapers. The students who found the certificates redeemed them in the newspaper room for a five dollar bill. Senior Bettie Wesson commented, "I buy the *Pony Express* to see who's in the paper and to read stuff about the school. Plus, I could win $5.00!"

Most of the *Pony Express* staff members joined the staff in order to gain experience for a writing career. Junior staffer Cathey Operex plained: "I wish to major in journalism and someday be a writer. The school newspaper offered a chance to practice my writing and support North Mesquite at the same time."

The *Pony Express* served a purpose even more important than reporting current school events. By reviewing movies, spotlighting controversial community issues, and printing news about school activities, the newspaper staff provided a souvenir of high school for students to keep and remember some of the aspects of 1985 by.

Senior Sandy Walker remarked, "I buy the *Pony Express* so I can save them and look back at them when I am old and remember how things were when I was in high school."





News: Cheryl Pearce, Jennifer Amlaw, and Billy Vaughan, news editor.



Features: Bryan Mayes and Stacey Johnson, features editor.

Ms. Janet Jones works on some newspaper copy.







Sports: Scott Bolton, Donnie Peterson, Ryan Reed, and Steven Welsh, sports editor.

Editorials: Cathy Oper, editorials editor; Grant Richardson, artist; and Trina True, editorials editor.



Melissa McFadden *and Carrie Laughlin examine the layout designs that Carrie designed.*

Chris Gonzalez *and Jane Perez check their boxes to see if anything important is there.*



Chana Haynes *and Alysia Gambline take time for a break during the workshop.*

Kurt Brockman *is taken by surprise while working in the darkroom.*







Monica Palma *smiles on th merry-go-round at Crystal's durin the banquet.*

Thirteen Staffers Make It

A Year to Remember



The yearbook staff captures moments for a lifetime using quad-paks and layout designs, and this is the motto of the staffers. Deadlines have to be met.

Carrie Laughlin said, "Being on the yearbook staff has brought me a lot of satisfaction as well as frustration. Creating layouts and writing copy requires patience, but seeing it in print as proofs and in the book makes me feel like I have really accomplished something."

The yearbook received a first place at THSPA in Denton and also won 4-star American for the 1984 book from National Scholastic Press Association.

"We all feel proud when we receive awards for the book, especially the All-American rating we received for the 1984 book," said Melissa McFadden.

Work for the staff began before school even started, planning the annual signing party.

After school began, everyone helped in putting together a slide show to promote sales. Then came time for the real work. Quad-paks to be done and copy to be written, and pictures to be taken. And of course, deadlines to be met!

Eventually deadlines were met (with Mr. Ron Taylor's "Expediency Controls") and memories of 1984-85 were captured.

To end a year of hard work, fighting, and laughing together, the thirteen staffers finished with a banquet at Crystal's. Throwing ice at Chris in the arcade and buying thousands of balloons was only half of the fun. What about the bumper boats at Malibu?

Finally the year came to a close, and the staffers saw the last deadline come and go. The production of the Trailblazer became history.

***Cindy Killian** enters the annual room ready for a day of hard work.*





***Edward Abarquez** finishes his ice cream while at a workshop in Denton.*

***Sherry Blue** and Jan Packer hug each other while taking a break from working.*



***Mr. Ron Taylor** checks everyone's layouts before turning them in to the publisher.*



***ria Rittmuller** finishes up usiness during sixth period.*



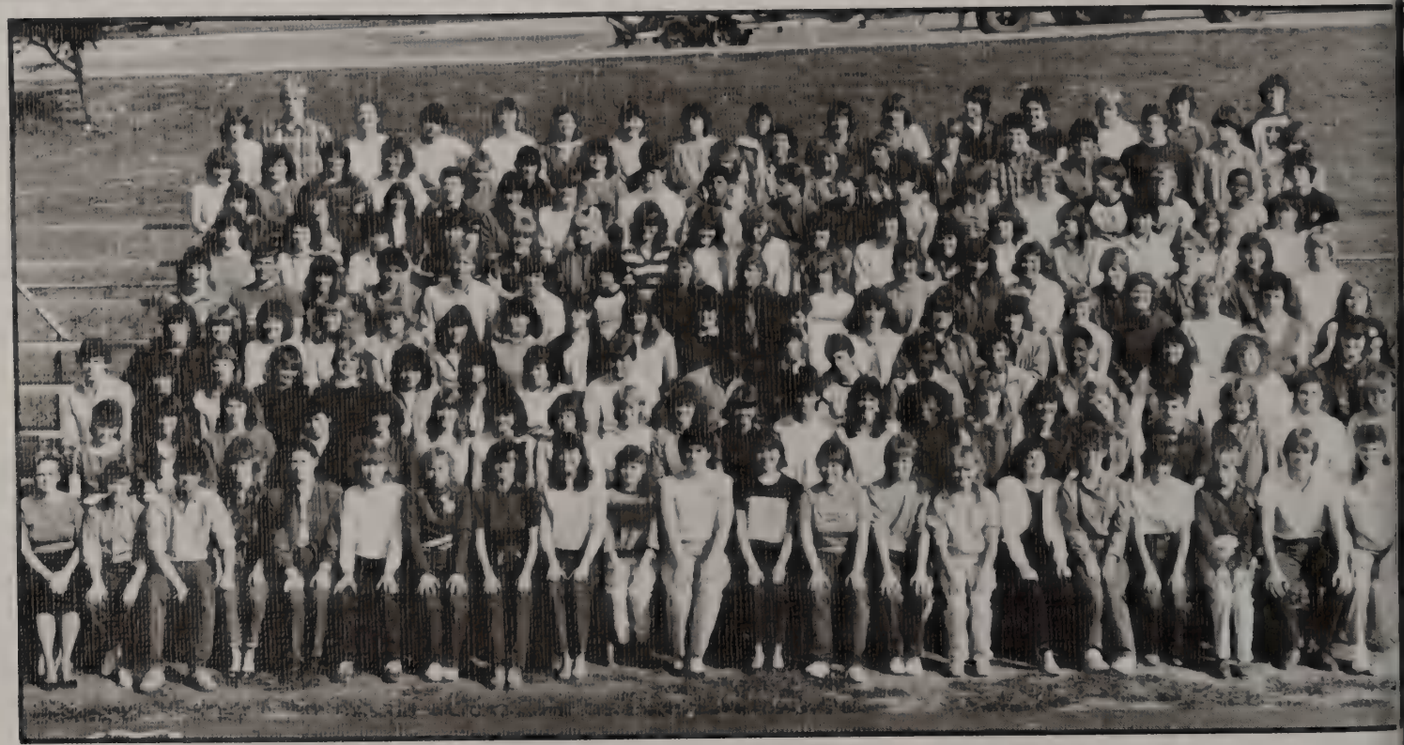
The Yearbook Staff:
Front Row — Jane Perez, Carrie Laughlin, Jan Packer, Sherry Blue, Alysia Gamblin, Chana Haynes, Monica Palma.
Back Row — Cindy Killian, Chris Gonzalez, Melissa McFadden, Kurt Brockman, Maria Rittmuller, Edward Abarquez.

***Todd Bell** learns new and different techniques of sewing.*



***Jimmy Green** contemplates cutting out a pattern.*





FHA members include: *(row 1:)* Mrs. Bidrsong, Julie Owens, Matt Kinkeade, Claire Elsey, Brenda Stovall, Charla Houser, Tracy Greer, Linda Gray, Kristen Crockett, Ronda Paschall, Melanie Guy, Shawndell Tillery, Ginger Jolly, Sherry Harris, Lisa Kallahan, Tracy Pitts, and Cheri Clutter; *(row 2:)* Shannon Tinsley, Shannon Turner, Kim Cowan, Shawn Scoma, Wendy Thredkeill, Jana Pruitt, Cathy Henderson, Betsy Elder, Barrett Haberer, Bill Hefner, Sherry Baldwin, Cynthia Goode, Beth Wright, Kim Floyd, Leslie Langford, Tammy Taber, Theresa Cothran; *(row 3:)* Brad Winkfein, Rhonda Lemmons, Kay Southern, Shannon Wilks, Shawna Taunton, Reece Biggs, Jason Wright, Treviana Height, Chandia Beasley, Vickie Trimble, Marye Robertson, Carmella Fisher, and Wendy Rice; *(row 4:)* Stacy Riddler, Cari Cranfill, Ronda Buff, Kim Little, Mamie Cocker, Tammy Driggers, Rhonda Hepburn, Julie Johnson, Julie Michols, Kin Neil, Carrie Charles, Shelly Nelson, Maryann Wilson, Darren Stachowiak, and Mechelle Gonzales; *(row 5:)* Brad Jones, Pete Manicchia, Debra Decker, Troy McKenzie, Larry Whitworth, Johnny Malmquist, April McLemore, Kim Watwoo, Deann Molencupp, Jolly Holbrook, Macky McCutchen, and Rhonda Oliver; *(row 6:)* Tonya Vandergriff, Sid Forman, J. J. Garza, Andy Murry, Roy Pamplin, Julie Daniel, Lisa Jones, Wendy Carver, Dana Anthony, Suzie Merryman, Tina Watson, and Lisa Phillips; *(row 7:)* Donna York, Kristen Harris, Eric Stovall, Heather Wagoner,Kim Hamilton, Barton Spi[illegible] Vince Guerra, Mark Kitts, Steve Gentry, [illegible] Brooks, Jimmy Green, Stacy Holt, Denise H[illegible] and Forace Gay; *(row 8:)* Kelly Shepherd, C[illegible] Starr, Cindy Sansers, Shante Hayes, [illegible] Hernendez, Larry Holland, Marty Zumb[illegible] and Brett Poteet; *(row 9:)* Leean Edwards, D[illegible] Farris, Mrs. White, Sammy Cummings, Tar[illegible] Bishop, Susan Crowley, Kim E. Wing, Shar[illegible] Turner, Kim Ball, Billy Wilson, Vince Rob[illegible] Chris Blain, and James Barboza.



John Criswell speaks with FHA students Carol Ayers and Kristen Crockett about child abuse.



ni Tankersly models one of rojects.



Homemaking student checks out what's in the refrigerator.

FHA Prepares For The

Future

Future Homemakers of America "teaches young people how to care about others, how the world works, and it teaches me how to be a better person," says Kristen Crockett, FHA class president.

Aside from monthly meetings, FHA has collected magazines for senior citizens, made spirit things for the football teams, raised money through candy sales to help send a representative to the state meeting, and made Christmas boxes for the hospitalized in Terrell.

In February, Tracy Greer was responsible for getting a speaker for the monthly meeting. She asked John Criswell, TV anchorman for Channel 8 news and director of Wednesday's Child, to speak to FHA members. His topic of discussion was child abuse.

FHA helps students not only right now in life, but also prepares them for their future and their careers. Barrett Haberer says that FHA helps "to teach people to successfully manage family and home life to give the best environment possible for their family." Carol Ayers says that FHA helps her goals for her career because "it gets me prepared for the future by helping me to learn new techniques of doing things."

Many young students go into FHA classes thinking that they are going to have blow-off classes, only to find that FHA broadens their horizons in becoming good homemakers and prepares them to face challenges in life as they come to them.

Reaching sky high *— The Varsity cheerleaders perform their human pyramid during a pep rally.*



Cheerleaders bottom row: annon Watson, Donna Kau- sch, Cheryl Thomason, Amy eaps
ddle row: Stacey Bowdin, Cindy Johnson, Marlene Waters, LeeAnn Henrie
top row: Kristin Salas, Amy Dickey, Amanda McPherson.

Freshmen Cheerleaders bottom row: Jill Sink, Rhonda Burton
middle row: Sandra Martin, Alison Owens, Xan Cooper, Tracy Malone
top row: Yolanda Lopez, Wendy Threlkeld, Leslie Sadler, Cindy Ferrara, Rhonda Weeks, Susan Martin.







Cheerleaders Lead The Way With

RAH! RAH! RAH!

When the football players need to know their fans are behind them, the cheerleaders were there to fire up the crowd. The cheerleaders played a major part in promoting school spirit. They were to be at football games, pep rallies, and at basketball games. "It takes a lot of discipline and hard work to be a cheerleader," said varsity cheerleader Dee Dee Deets.

"Determination, good cooperation and attitude towards others on your squad is important," said freshman cheerleader Marlene Waters. Between organizing pep rallies, going to the games, practice, competition, homework, and keeping up their grades the cheerleaders find little time to relax.

"But that's part of being a cheerleader, and you have to be 100 percent sure that you want to be a cheerleader because it takes 100 percent to do the things a cheerleader should do. When I go off to college I want to pursue cheerleading," said Dee Dee Deets. The cheerleaders had one of their best years ever. The varsity squad attended summer camp at Stephen F. Austin at Nacogdoches. Cynthia Goode and Nanny Stutts were nominated for All-American Cheerleader.

Varsity Cheerleaders are: (bottom row) Cynthia Goode. (middle row) Barrett Habor, Dee Dee Deets, Tracey Way, Nanny Stutts, Tammy Taber. (top row) Debbie Parker, Christi Sumner, Kim Russell, Karen Lynch, Christy Hart.





***Cheerleader** managers Shelley and Shirley Farris.*

Tracey waits for the go ahead from Cynthia to start cheer.



Cindy Johnson reaches for the sky on top of a human pyramid at the HP pep rally.



Practice, Sacrifice, Hard Work
Make Cheerleading More Than

Rah! Rah! Rah!

At the Texas Christian University summer camp, the J.V. squad was also nominated for the Award of Excellence. Alison Owens and Sandra Martin were nominated for All-American Cheerleader. "Cheerleading has become a part of my life instead of a hobby and I feel obligated to it" remarked Sandra Martin. The Freshman squad won Junior Award of Excellence. They also all won blue ribbons. "It takes a lot of dedication. You have to work together as a group," commented freshman cheerleader LeeAnn Henrie.

House-Bill 72 has also brought many changes in the way that spirit is promoted. It only allowed four pep rallies on school time. Sandra Martin, J.V. cheerleader, explained. She said "fewer people attended the pep rallies, but we kept showing our spirit and support in spite of all the difficulties." LeeAnn Henrie stated that "although the House-Bill 72 limited the number of pep rallies we had, it did not affect the quality a whole lot."

Aside from House-Bill 72 cheerleading has changed in many other ways, too. "Cheerleading has become more of a sport in the last few years. It requires skill in many areas as well as good grades and good faculty relationships," said Leslie Sadler. "Cheerleaders used to be chosen by popular vote. Now, there is more focus on intelligence, skill, and leadership abilities," explaines Mrs. Linda Muhl, cheerleader sponsor. "It is returning to what it was intended to be — a group who inspires school spirit."



Nanny Stutts cheers to the student body.

Ugh! As the Varsity cheerleaders end their cheer.







***Yolanda and Rhonda** show their school spirit during the school song.*

***J.V. cheerleaders clap** and perform jumps after cheer.*



Pacesetter members are: (row 1) Jamie Shipman, Kristen Crockett, Sherri Thompson, Kim Cowan, Lesley Langford, Beth Wright, Krysla Threlkeld, Leah Patterson, Missy Morris; (row 2) Lynnette Conely, Aaron McSpadden, Kim Varner, Donna York, Tracy Estill, Tomarie Miller, Sherry Busby, Phyllis Miller, Wendy Mathiessen; (row 3) Paige Rich, Chana Haynes, Debbie Fyffe, Cindy Culpepper, Shante Hayes, Cathy Garcia, Cathy Henderson, Dena Farnsworth, Jana Pruitt, Lisa Lott; (row 4) Debra Decker, Lisa Reed, Priscilla Halbert, Misty Martin, Priscilla Martin, Andrea Harris, Sherry Baldwin, Luann Mullis, Jennifer Johnson; (row 5) Shelly Easly, Lisa St. John, Melanie Guye, Terri Carter, Jennifer Avery, Leigh Ann Clements, Michelle Bentley, Shelly Combs, and Melinda Gatlin.



Drillteam sponsor, Barbara Thomas with the managers.





Drillers Take on Kilgore and Take Top Honors By Turning

Head Over Heels

Know who turns head over heels and jumps into the splits during football games? Guess who also performs at Maverick games, at Sidekick games, and on the stage in the spring. The answer is the North Mesquite Pacesetters.

All of these performances took time to perfect, starting with summer squad practices and Kilgore "Tops in Drillteam Camp," Pacesetters danced their way to first place in the high kick, military, novelty, and jazz categories.

Outstanding linemembers at camp were: Lisa St. John for the suitcase routine, Missy Morriss for the cane routine, Lisa Reed for the pom-pom routine, Lynette Connelly for the stool routine, and Terri Carter for the military routine.

Every year during tryouts, the judge chooses the ten best girls according to the different categories. Top Ten were, in order: Beth Wright, Lesley Langford, Krysla Threlkeld, Kim Cowan, Shannon Turner, Phyllis Miller, Misty Martin, Melanie Guye, Sherry Thompson, Kristen Crockett, Sherry Baldwin, and Angels Watson. Some of these places were tied between two Pacesetters.



***Pacesetters** made a cane formation at the Garland pep rally.*

***Michelle Bentley,** Misty Martin, Dena Farnsworth, Jana Pruitt, and Lisa Lotte end a routine with a striking pose with pom-poms at the HP Pep Rally.*

***J.V. Drillers** leap into the a one of the basketb performances.*



Second period J.V. Drill members are: *(row 1)* Christy Gregory, Staci Seabolt, Jennifer Dunn, Laura McDonald, Theresa Moughn, Jeanie Carden, Stacey Hale, Jeanne Hall, Renay Gray, Tammy Pace; *(row 2)* Kim Scott, Melissa Dickinson, Shannon Beck, Julie Barron, Georgia Nation, Raquel Stephens, Danah Stephens, Patricia Groblewski, Pamela Gustoff, Donna Hayden; *(row 3)* Susan Pyles, Kristy Echols, Kristi Miller, Andrea Wight, Heide Cook, Bronya Tuley, Debra Johnson, Rebecca Hernandez, Shauna Earp, Shannon Stover; *(row 6)* Bridgett Alford, Alison Orren, Kiellei Thompson, Chris Van Looy, Dana Mollett, Kim Holley, Dawn Brennan, Cynthia Hedgepeth, Deanne Welsh, Stacey Southern, Debbie Azcue, and Laurie Cast.



JV Drill Members Are

Just Off the Pace

It all starts in the month of March of their freshman year. During this time, try-outs are held for girls interested in participating in Drill the following year.

While in J.V. Drill, the girls learn how to condition, stretch, and perform new dance routines. Techniques in military, and jazz dancing are taught by J.V. Drill instructors, who are currently line members of the Pacesetters

These instructors, who were selected for their dancing abilities as well as their leadership qualities, consist of Missy Morris and Leah Patterson teaching 2nd period j. v. drill and Kristen Crockett and Jamie Hsipman instructing the 5th period class.

During football season, the J.V. Drill classes participate in all pep rallies by doing hand routines. They performed during halftime at a J.V. football game. Both classes danced to the song "Gloria" by Laura Brannigan.

They also performed at basketball games. The 2nd period class danced to "Breakin," while the 5th period class used "Rock-it" for their routines.

After all the games are complete, the J.V. Drill goes back to strenuous conditioning. This is to prepare the girls for Pacesetter try-outs. Although not all J.V. Drill make the Pacesetter drill team, the ones who do make it will have a know-how of what is expected from them being in a drill team.

***Lauren Lowrey** performs a Jazz routine.*



***The J.V. Drill line** members hook-up in preparation for a series of kicks.*





***J.V. Drill members** line-up and get ready to please the crowd.*



***Fifth period J.V. Drill members are:** (row 1)* Lisa Tolbert, Deandra Allsup, Bonnie Whitaker, Rhonda Hilburn, Lisa Moya, Lisa Feemster, Jennifer Jones, Toni Louremore, Shannon Knoblesdorf, Amy Newman, Laurie Gates, Shala Clevenger; *(row 2)* Tracy Lamp, Jacinda Arthur, Vicki James, Shelly Walthall, Karon Sparks, Tammp Buchheit, Shannon Wright, Traci Avon, Sherry Loomis, Tracy Mehegan, Lisa Muldoon;; *(row 3)* Lisa Ash, Cari Wallace, Melisa Chaffee, Sharon Tipay, Kim Monk, Staciy West, Lauren Lowrey, Becky Gondon, Sofia Stutts, Jana Jessee; *(row 4)* Tara Ranken, Rhonda Himes, Sylvia Rodiguez, Cheryl Bain, Brandy Winkfein, Kimberly Johnson, Kristie Bullock, Pamela Huckabee, Tracey Badhart, Lisa Rash, and Jennifer Fletcher.

As The Year Progressed, The Big Blue Experienced

A Different Season

Every year has its own characteristics — identifying marks that make each different. But for the Big Blue, this year had an extra-large number of those marks. The characteristics took the form of changes.

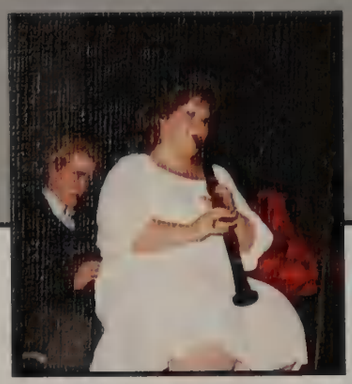
The changes started in the spring of 1984, when band director Mr. John Kline announced that instead of having the three separate concert bands meet during first period, each band would rehearse during its own period. JoDella King commented; "I like the schedule because there are always four directors ready to help anyone."

The next change occurred during the summer, when the band was preparing its halftime show. The Big Blue was introduced to Mr. Rob Towell, the fourth addition to the band's staff of directors. With the arrival of Mr. Towell, the directors were able to teach the drills more quickly and polish them more thoroughly.

As the season progressed, the outlook became doubtful that the Band would be allowed to participate in the Parade of Champions. The effects of the Texas State Legislature's new laws were being felt in the band program. Because the contest was to be held on a school day, the MISD administration denied the band permission to attend. The Big Blue, eager to take on longtime rival J. J. Pearce, was disappointed when what appeared to be the band's only chance at overcoming Pearce had dissolved.

Spirits heightened, however, when Mr. Kline announced that the band would be able to attend a contest at Plano East High School. After weeks of extra rehearsals, the day of the contest arrived, but with a disappointing twist — rain. Heavy thunderstorms had forced officials to call off the contest.





***JoDella King** concentrates on her music as she plays in the Christmas concert.*





Kim Nottingham keeps her flag in perpetual motion during halftime.





Flag corps members execute a streamer routine during a pregame show.

Tuba players Daniel Louzou and James Cintron perform to "Tiger of San Pedro."







Drum majors: Kim Rowe, Donaven Hudson, Kayla Price.

Officers: *(row 1)* JoDella King, pres.; Edward Abarquez, vice-pres.; (row 2) Stacie Loomis, sec.; Stacy Johnson, treas.

Twirlers: Kristel Phillips, Merrie Anne Wilson, Donna Person, Wendy Davis, Lori Edwards.

Flag corps: *(row 1)* Stefanie Hargrave, Shelly Verwerk, Melissa McFadden, Heather Walker, Debbie Heurtin, Jennifer Pennington; *(row 2)* Melissa Perkins, Melanie Strawn, Kim Nottingham, Debbie Burchfield, Ginger Blackstone, Lisa Vestal, Neely Boyd; *(row 3)* Lynda Taylor, Julie Nichols, Andrea McFadden, Stacy Johnson, Lisa Carter.

Drum line: *(row 1)* Keith Wilkins, Lara Stone, David Maddox, Tammy Johnson, Brent Fuller, Jane Perez; *(row 2)* Bryan Russ, Richard Hinshaw, Shelly Hanson, Edward Abarquez, Chris Thompson, Mark Nester, Richard Harwell, Kevin Shivers, Steve Tucker, Deven Tenney, Jon Foster, Kyle Hebert.





For The Big Blue, A Different Season Brought

Welcome Changes

Once again the morale of the band plummeted. The band had nearly perfected its most difficult drill ever, but had had no opportunity to prove itself in competition. One last contest remained — the U.I.L. Marching Contest. In past years, U.I.L. was regarded as a chore because it did not reflect the band's standing against other groups. This year, however, the contest was seen in a new light.

On October 27, nothing was more important than earning the highest possible score.

After a near-perfect show, the ratings were announced and the Big Blue received first division ratings from every judge. Mr. Scott Coulson reflected on the show: "I believe that this year's performance at U.I.L. was absolutely the best I've seen the Big Blue perform."

The success of the Big Blue was, of course, due to the unity of the entire band, but the specialized groups within the whole added interest to the show.

The twirlers impressed the audience with their displays of talent using batons and other equipment. Besides the main body of the band, the flag corps was the most visible element of the halftime show, stunning the audience with precision and skill.

Flag corps director Rick Davis commented. "The group has established a sense of identity that sets them apart from other groups in the area."

Leading the band through halftime were the drum majors. All were first-year drum majors and were regarded by director John Kline after try-outs as "the best we've had."

In the beginning, the changes that affected the band were looked upon with a doubtful attitude. After their effects were seen, however, it is clear that the changes in this year's band were beneficial to everyone.





Maribel Alvarez *performs on her trombone at a football game.*

Trumpet players *Sean Reyes and Brandon Lewis contribute their talent to the band's halftime program.*

Merrie Anne Wilson *ends her routine which she performed at the gym concert.*





The National Anthem is played while members of the flag corps perform with red, white, and blue streamers.





Debbie Burchfield awaits her cue to begin performing to "Tiger of San Pedro" at the gym concert.

Kayla Price, a drum major, helps to lead the band through halftime. "I enjoy being a drum major because of the responsibilities that go along with it," she later commented.



Chorale Members: Ginger Blackstone, Neely Boyd, Lauren Bradbury, Tisha Brink, Sharon Carter, Elizabeth Castille, Roger Cave, Gary Colwill, Robert Doleshal, Tami Dooley, Ginny Dunne, Cheri Edmundson, Stacie Evans, Will Hall, Deanna Hipp, Robin Hosey, Philip Hunter, Ted Jakubowski, Helen Janecka, Troy Jordan, Craig Kuykendall, Randy Laxson, Priscilla Martin, Kara McClendon, Eryn McSpadden, Brad Merritt, LaDonna Patterson, Bonnie Perkins, Donna Person, Kris Pyle, Mindy Renner, Kim Russell, Mark Schaerft, Jamie Shipman, Kirk Sipes, Kelly Smith, Karen Stachowiak, Krysla Threlkeld, Robert Tolbert, Stefanie Wade.

Choirs Compete And Win Showing That They Are

Musically Supreme

Hours of warm ups, hard work, and endless intonations of do, re, mi was what made Chorale one of the best choirs. Their harmonic sounds and articulate diction have won the members first division ratings at UIL Solo and Ensemble and Concert and Sightreading contests.

The concerts that Chorale performed in: Fall, Christmas, Spring concerts, the Winter Festival, in which they performed with Chorales from MHS and WMHS, and the Pop Show, gave people a chance to hear their melodic tunes. "Music is an outlet for me. Sometimes, by singing, I can release some kind of emotion that even my best friend can't help," said Tami Dooley said about the importance of music to her.

Unity also continued its reputation of being NMHS's best jazz choir of selected students from Chorale. Their songs ranged from modern rock to the hilarious antics of PDQ Bach. "In Unity, we do special things and sing different types of music. In Chorale, we sing classical music," junior Brad Merritt commented about the group. Unity has performed in all of the concerts, sang the National Anthem at the Homecoming pep rally and game, and held a mini Christmas Concert in the auditorium for the student body and faculty. "We get to do more performances, such as hospitals, recruiting concerts, pop shows, and certain church functions," commented Unity member Craig Kuykendall.

Unity and Chorale's tradition of excellence has helped both groups gain recognition beyond the boundaries of NM. Bonnie Perkins summed it all up when she said "Mr. Council makes us work hard and even though we gripe, the way we sound after all the work really pays off."





Bonnie Perkins, *senior, sings her solo at the Fall concert.*

Chorale officers *(Row 1):* Robert Doleshal, Sharon Carter, Eryn McSpadden, *(Row 2):* Donna Person, Cheri Edmundson, Karen Stachowiak, Neely Boyd. *(Row 3):* Kelly Smith, Priscilla Martin, Craig Kuykendall.



Mr. Tom Council *looks on as the band prepares for the Homecoming pregame show.*







Unity, *(Row 1):* Will Hall, Craig Kuykendall. *(Row 2):* Cheri Edmundson, Sharon Carter, Brad Merritt, Kirk Sipes, Kris Pyle, Ginger Blackstone. *(Row 3):* Kelly Smith, Neely Boyd, Philip Hunter. *(Row 4):* Bonnie Perkins, Tami Dooley, Stacy Evans.

Unity performs *to the theme of "Ice Castles" at the Fall Concert.*

Show Choir Officers, *top to bottom:* Rashya Nathan, Patricia Groblewski, Beth Buckner, Carrie Bruce, Jane Perez.
Not pictured, Toni Lowrimore



Show Choir, *left to right:* Lisa Burcham, Sheryl Harris, Cindy Hedgpeth, Lisa Buitron, Wendy Threlkeld, Becky Bankert, Kerrylea Etter, Tricia Lumpkin, Beth Ashton, Tara McElewee, Sybee Holland, Jane Perez, Patricia Groblewski, Rashya Nathan, Monica Woodall, Lorie Tackitt, Kathy Rodriquez, Beth Buckner, Merry Miller, Melissa Jones, Vickie Harwerth, Cass Williams, Tammie Buchheit, Angela Kuykendall, Terri Jakubowski, Carrie Bruce, Georgia Nations. *Not Pictured,* Toni Lowrimore.



Michelle Thomas, Lori Weatherly, Angie Tovey, and Debbie Edmundson prepare for Solo and Ensemble contest.



Sheryl Harris, Carrie Bruce, [illegible]am, and Rashya Nathan warm up while Mr. Tom Council directs.

Two New Choirs Give Were

Singing to the Top







Two new choirs had formed from A Capella choir and Concert choir — a mixed freshman Concert choir and a Show Choir made up of juniors, sophomores, and one freshman girl. Though these groups have not yet attained much recognition from the school, Mr. Tom Council hopes that they will attract more interested students into choir.

Concert choir was made up of more than 40 eager freshman boys and girls wanting to make it into Chorale. This apprenticeship helps the group mature vocally so that they can advance into the larger choir.

Show Choir, a larger version of Unity, does more choreographed moves to their songs and the group is made up of girls. "It's terrific! It's so much more exciting than regular formal choir. The music has more pizzazz and beat, which is closer to our music," said Patricia Groblewski, speaking of the group.

Both choirs have appeared in all of the regular concerts plus Solo and Ensemble and Concert and Sightreading contest in hopes of capturing a first division rating. This year, the Show Choir girls accompanied Chorale girls to UIL competition. This collaboration gave the girls a chance to work with the larger group.

Mr. Council felt that the potential of both choirs had a lot going for them. "First of all, the potential of both choirs was very good. There was a good group of freshmen this year and the Show Choir has a wonderful sound going for them. If both choirs really work hard at what they do, they can accomplish anything."

***Toni Lowrimore** and Tricia Lumpkin attempt to stay in tune.*

***James Thigpen** tries to maintain a straight face as he watches Mr. Council.*





***ncert Choir Members,** Row 1:* ttie King, Casey Rawls, Jerrese rwile, John Browning, James igpen, Jim Snyder, Tammy lds, Michaela Sanford, Cindy lpatrick. *Row 2:* Angie Mcure, Wendy Cox, Cindy Fillmon, Chris McSorley, Brian Hopkins, Bryan Russ, Erin Van Meter, Debbie Edmundson, Lori Weatherly, Angie Tovey, Laura Curtis. *Row 3:* Mary Harwerth, Darla Bannister, Tina Maddox, Jimmy Lambright, Keith Hopkins, Iacolod Todd, Brent Comstock, Amy Evans, Michelle Thomas, Karen Baily, Christina Crum. *Row 4:* Holly Ethridge, Laura Mays, Dana Grinstead, Candi Toczic.

***Concert Choir Officers,** (Row 1):* Casey Rawls, Mary Harwerth. *(Row 2):* Dottie King, Keith Hopkins, Debbie Edmundson. *(Row 3):* Angela McClure

After All the Rehearsing, the Drama Department Has

Got What It Takes 'Guys and Dolls'

Lights! Make-Up! Costumes! Rehearsals! What is all this? The Drama department, of course. Sponsored by Renee Clark, the Drama department presented two big productions, "Voices From the High School" — a play, and "Guys and Dolls" — a musical.

Although neither production could be performed during the school day because of the new school legislation, each was presented twice in the evenings and the auditorium was packed!

After a month of three and four hour rehearsals each night, the musical finally began to come together. Costume plans were finalized, sets were created, and props were found. Although practicing dialogue was emphasized more in the preparations for "Voices From the High School," the singing and dancing rehearsals were just as pertinent in "Guys and Dolls" as were the speaking parts. For this reason, as well as the fact that "Guys and Dolls" was a musical, the chorus was a large, important part of the production.

Freshman, Mary Harwerth said, "Being in the musical was fun! Although I was only in the chorus, we worked hard. It was also a great way to meet some interesting people."

With the lead roles being portrayed by Krysla Threlkeld, Woody Robinson, Donna Person and Craig Kuykendall, "Guys and Dolls" opened on Thursday, February 28, to a full house.

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Tami Dooley, Tammy Taber, Krysla Threlkeld, Alison Orren and Cheri Edmunson strut their stuff in "Guys and Dolls."

rysla Threlkeld *and* **Woody** *obinson, the perfect couple in Guys and Dolls"*





Standing: *Ginny Dunn, Mary Harwerth, Melissa Jones, Jerrese Carwile, Becky Bankert, Tricia Lumpkin, Jane Perez,* Lori Weatherly, *Carrie Bruce, Kerry Lea etter, Toni Lowrimore, Debbie Edmunson.*
Sitting: *Tricia Schillenburg, Lara stone.*

The cast from *"Voices From the High School"*

Robby Brewer *and James Thigpen perform in "Guys and Dolls."*







Woody Robinson, *Chris Gist, Brad Merit, Philip Hunter and Will Hall catch up on the latest news in "Guys and Dolls."*





Rodney Moffett, *Karen Sharon Carter, Donna Person, Neely Boyd and James Cintron "protest" in the spring musical.*

Donna Person *explains her philosophy in "Guys and Dolls."*



Shawna Earp plays Rudolph for Thespian initiation.

The Havana dancers from "Guys and Dolls."



Brad Merit and discuss the a tion in "Guys and Dolls."





Dona Person and Cra Kuykendall enjoy each oth company in "Guys and Dolls."

"Voices From the High School" cast members: Kelly Smith, Lonnie Pollard, Shawn Peterson, Chris Gist, Kevin Jones, Woody Robinson, Brian Mayes, Robby Brewster.



Drama Department has

What It Takes

"Being in the musical was an enriching experience," said Freshman, Emily Murdock, "Although it was a lot of hard work, it was a very enjoyable experience and a lot of fun!"

Sophomore, Jane Perez remarked, "The musical was a great experience. It was amazing how much we got done in one month. We spent many hours after school rehearsing on songs and parts, but in the end, the rehearsals really paid off."

The musical was well-received, not only by the general public, but by the students as well. Junior, Wendy Davis said, " 'Guys and Dolls' was a very well performed musical. Donna Person's portrayal of her character, Sarah Brown, seemed very realistic. Woody Robinson and Krysla Threlkeld did an excellent job with their characters too, as did Craig Kuykendall. The scenery and musical score added a lot to the play, especially in *Havana*. Overall, 'Guys and Dolls' was excellent. I feel it was the best musical I have ever seen."



Cast members *from "Guys and Dolls" take a well-deserved break to pose for the camera.*

Orchestra Proves That They're Not

Fiddlin' Around



Constant after school rehearsals, various tempo beats, and stopping and then starting over again were just some of the trials Honor and Symphonic orchestra had to go through. Their dedication to a group was what made each group stand out individually.

For the past year, both orchestras have performed in the regular concerts plus Solo and Ensemble contest in February and Concert and Sightreading in April. In order to prepare for the contests involved, students had sectionals after school to perfect their technique meticulously. "The members of the orchestra are really unique. Each has an individual style and way of contributing." commented bassist Billy Vaughn. "It is great the way each does their part and pulls together as a whole. This helps make performing easier and also makes each performace different."

In February, Donna Person, Joey Sloan, Vonna Thornburgh, and Craig Smethie were chosen to represent NM's orchestra at the TMEA convention in San Antonio in which each were named members of the TMEA All State orchestra. About the overall attitude of the group, junior Vonna Thornburgh said, "I think it's very good. We work very hard, but have fun doing it." Of Symphonic orchestra, Maribel Alvarez said, "The attitude of the group is superb. Everyone takes part wholeheartedly at the concerts to please our audience."

Orchestra wasn't just hard work and practice. Later in the year, trips to Six Flags and Sandy Lake Park relieved some of the tension.

One reason for the orchestra's success was due to the students years of playing their instruments and largely to Mr. Weldon Minnick.

Most of the upperclassmen had been playing strings for about five to seven years, which gave the group a boost.

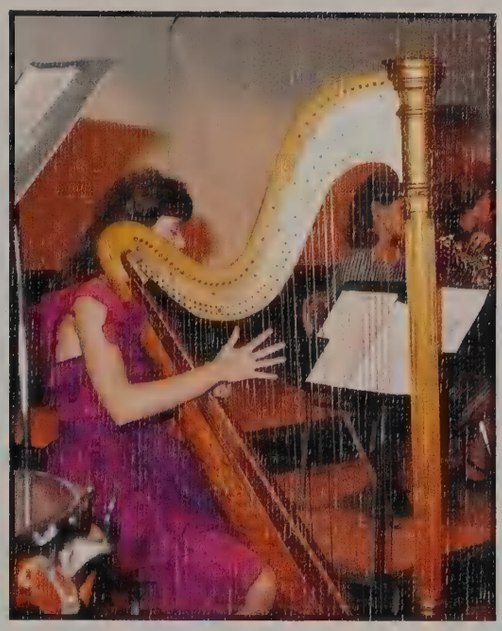
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Honor Orchestra, **First Violins: Lillian Alvarez, Kerri Bittenbender, Karlene Brown, Andrea Harris, Sherry Loomis, *Donna Person, Dana Pruitt, Melody Roberts, Cheryl Stewart, Tammy Taber, *Vonna Thornburgh.** ***Second Violins:*** **Lara Butler, Laurie Colgrove, Aaron Frith, Gena McElyea, *Kim Morris, Verna Pecht, Melissa Scott, Jerry Wagner, Cristie Webb, Sheila Wood.** ***Viola:*** **Matt Baker, Debbie Burchfield, Bryan King, Kim Mank, Nahn Tran, *Debbie Watkins.** ***Cello:*** **Julie Butler, Leslie Cain, Melissa Clark, Sharon Ellis, *Paul Hunter, Troy McQueen, Darla Roberts,** ***Double Bass:*** **Robert Booth, *Joey Sloan, Craig Smethie, Scott Smith, Billy Vaughn,** ***Flute:*** **Laura Diaz, *Missy Harris. Oboe: Shelly Vorwerk,** ***Clarinet:*** **Michelle Eddy, Kendra McCurry, *JoDella King,** ***Bassoon:*** **Lara Stone, Elizabeth Breed.** ***French Horn:*** **Neely Boyd, Courtney Deal, Kara McClendon, Brad Merritt** ***Trumpet:*** **Craig Kuykendall, Wendi Rice, Bryan Tomes, *Steve Weger.** ***Trombo*** **Charles Mayne, *James Townsend, Karla G Wendy Plumer.** ***Tuba:*** **Daniel Louz** ***Percussion:*** **Richard Harwell, Mark Nes** ***Harp:*** **Cheryl Stewart. *Section Leader**

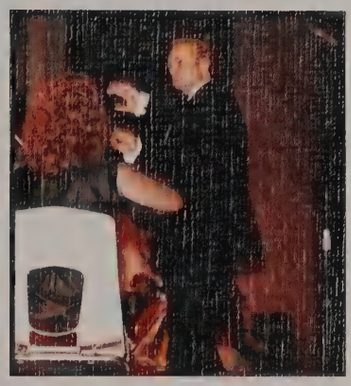


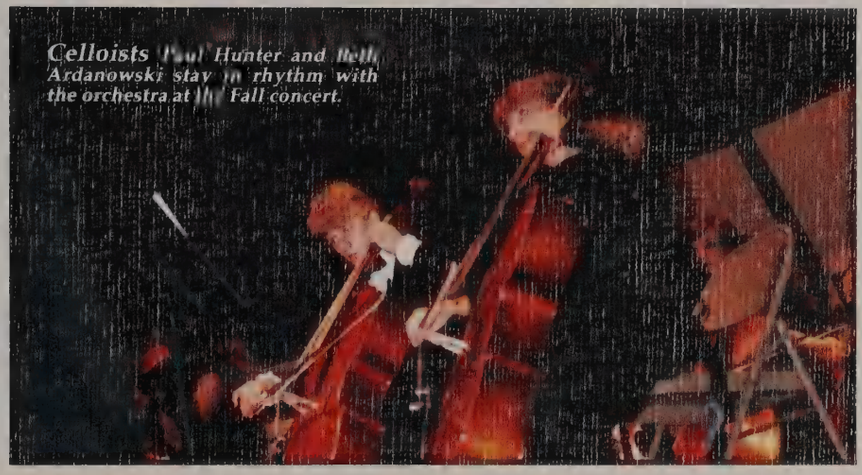
***Andra King** and Andrea Harris vibrate their strings at the Fall concert.*



***Harpist** Cheryl Stewart keeps an eye on her music and Mr. Minnick.*

***Mr. Weldon Minnick** directs the Honor Orchestra at the Fall Concert.*





***Celloists** Paul Hunter and Beth Ardanowski stay in rhythm with the orchestra at the Fall concert.*



***mphonic Orchestra,** First Violin:* ve Crabtree, Sharon Hogue, Andra King, ddie Laxson, John Perez, Heath Price, ngela Thomson, Joe Valdez. *Second Violin:* nn Bright, Paige Calhoun, Katrese Cook, lody Johson, Chris Jones, Tad Renfro, *Chris Thompson. *Viola:* Maribel Alvarez, Arthur Koenig, Merry Miller. *Cello:* *Beth Ardanowski, Ronson Page, Mike Posey, April Sauceman. *Double Bass:* James Cintron, *John Fornero, Debra Greer. *Harp:* Merry Miller. *Flute:* Vickie Harwerth, Jennifer Pennington, Tammy Rutledge. *Oboe:* Bryan Tomes. *Clarinet:* Tara Daves, Melanie Strawn. *Bass Clarinet:* Debbie Burchfield. *French Horn:* Darla Bannister, Donna Person. *Trumpet:* Laurie Colgrove, Julie Stockard, Debbie Watkings. *Trombone:* Karlene Brown, Billy Vaughn, Sheila Wood. *Tuba:* James Cintron. *Percussion:* Brent Fuller, David Maddox, Jane Perez. *Section Leader

Fiddlin'

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"I have been playing bass for five years," remarked Joey Sloan, "and have been studying under Mr. Minnick, one of the premiere bass teachers in Texas, for five years."

What most people recognize in Mr. Minnick was his understanding, patience, and musicality, said Tammy Taber.

"He is an excellent high school director. He has just enough sense of humor to keep the class from being boring. Yet he pushes us to do our very best — that's why we *are* the very best." answered Andrea Harris. Sheila Wood concluded, "Mr. Minnick brings out the musician in us. He's a very talented conductor, and he's what makes the music 'happen.' Where would we be without him? Certainly not Honor Orchestra at TMEA!"



***Donna Person** and Vonna Thornburgh watch Mr. Minnick as they prepare for an upcoming concert.*

***Leslie Cain**, sophomore, concentrates on her music for UIL.*





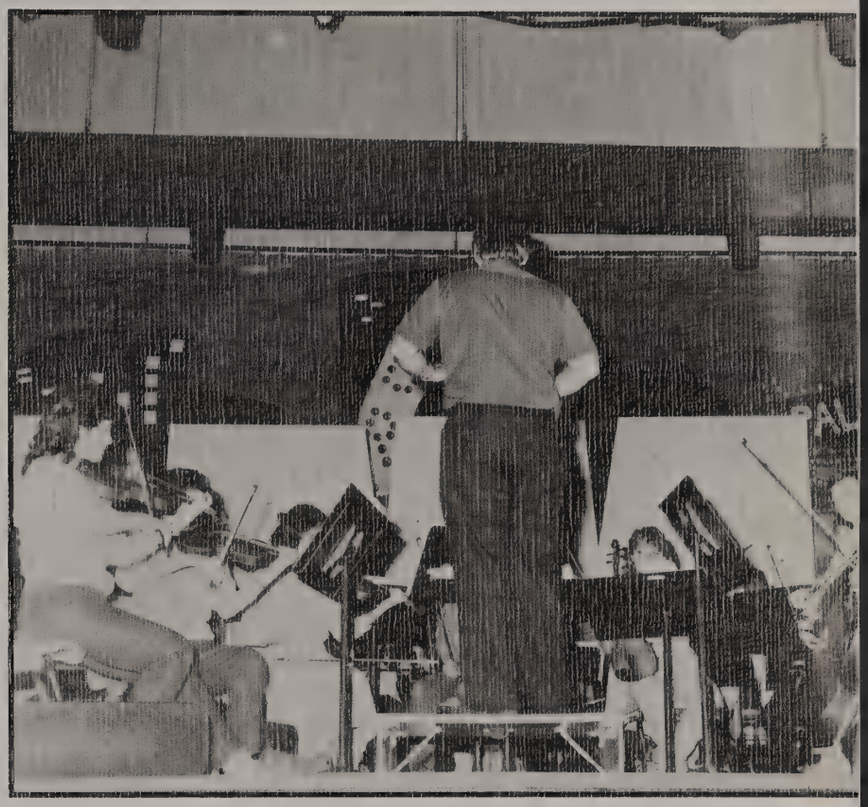
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TMEA All State members: *Vonna Thornburg, Donna Person, Joey Sloan, and Craig Smethie.*



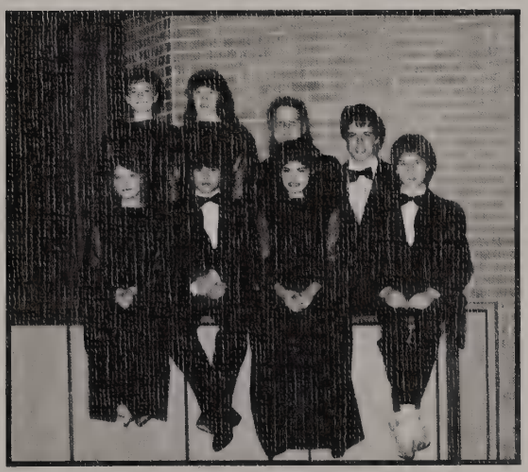
Mr. Weldon Minnick *conducts Honors Orchestra in preparation for UIL Contest.*







Honor Officers, *(Row 1:)* Billy Vaughn, Debbie Burchfield, Melody Roberts, Missy Morris, Julie Butler. *(Row 2:)* Sheila Wood, Vonna Thornburgh, Tammy Taber, Joey Sloan.



Symphonic Officers: *(Row 1:)* Beth Ardanowski, Joe Valdez, Maribel Alvarez, Steve Crabtree. *(Row 2:)* Andra King, Sherrie Hogue, Melody Johnson, Mike Posey.

Nely Boyd, *senior, accompanies the orchestra on the French Horn during a rehearsal.*



***Sandra Burkheimer**, Verna Pecht, and Marcy Wojtkowiak raise the flag one early morning.*

***ROTC queen** and her Court: Marcy Wojkowiak, Sandra Burkheimer, Tricia Schellenberg, Cherrie Harper, Valerie Wingler, and Elizabeth Wingler.*





***Tricia Schellenberg**, ROTC queen, and her date, Joe Elrod, take time to enjoy the Military Ball.*



ROTC Cadets, *(Row 1:)* Maj. Roger Guynn, Sgt. Doyle Couch, Sandra Burkheimer, Scott Wojtkowiak, Erich Clevenger, Jeff Thorp, Marcy Wojtkowiak, Scott Davidson, Stacey Green. *(Row 2:)* David Bolton, Chris Gonzalez, Tim Ezelle, Al Aleman, Mike Simmons, Andy Bill, Frank Kassela, Scott Koger. *(Row 3:)* Chris Jones, Rene Molina, Phillip Starr, Howard Hunter, Mike Posey, Calvin Booker, Trent Tedder, Elizabeth Wingler, Mike Rassmussen, Jonh Pat Lee. *(Row 4)* Jason Fellers, Donald Cott, Charles Nutt, Julie Quinteros, Tabby Gardner, Abby Vasquez, Brandon Lee, Vicky Trimble, Lyn Williams, Christie Snaders. *(Row 5:)* Cherrie Harper, Bobby Monk, Brian Odom, Becky Smith, Gary Winsett, Mark Snaders, Mike Taylor, Ky Nygunen, Rochelle Konoiak, Susan Robertson. *(Row 6:)* Chris Magnty, Donald Mumma, Steven Beard, Brad Austin, Bruce Eaton, Randy Laxson, Rusty Ratliff, Avery Falk, Jody Paugh, David Washburn. *(Row 7:)* Jeff Leisure, Sabrina Wellman, Jennifer S
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Stehn, John Gibson.

A Company, *(Row 1:)* Louis Vera, Tricia Schellenberg, Verna Pecht, Erica Walsh, Gidget Wilson, Vicky Trimble, Mark Wharton. *(Row 2:)* Malee Hunter, Michelle Parnell, Clifford Cozby, Abigail Vasquez, Ronda Skelton, Brian Roel. *(Row 3:)* Tabby G ardner, Micheal Smith, Donald Cott, Trent Tedder, Rene Molina, Phillip Alonzo, Richard Bednarski. *(Row 4:)* Sammy Hunter, Brad Conner, Kristopher Kldd, Rodney Moffett, Joe Cozby, Julia Quinteros. *(Row 5:)* Hermond Luna, Don McCauley, Gary Hopkins, Micheal Watson, Charles Nutt, Mike Posey, Phillip Starr. *(Row 6:)* Patricia Patlan, Tim Ezelle, Micheal Simmons, Damon Cater, Tommy Barham, Pete Hanvey, Jay Fenstermacher. *(Row 7:)* Tony Yarborough, Andy Bill, Joe Elrod, Scott Wojtkowiak, Erich Clevenger, Jeff Leisure.



ROTC Groups Show That They are

Masters of Strategy

"ROTC is a class that demands only enthusiastic people. The students that are ashamed to wear the uniform, or embarrassed to let their friends know that they are in ROTC, are not needed," was, senior, Jeff Thorp's view of ROTC.

"You have to be your own person to be in ROTC. You can't just go with the crowd; you have to be yourself."

To many who do not fully comprehend what ROTC is and what it teaches, have yet to learn about it.

ROTC is not only an organization that teaches military skills, as map reading, first aid, but also discipline, self-confidence, leadership, responsibility, and patriotism. ROTC offers extra activities as Color Guard, Rifle Team, and Drill Team to those whose interest in the military grows much farther. These groups have competed in regional contests that have taken them as far as Galveston, Wichita Falls, Huntsville, Shreveport, Louisiana, and several Forts around the state, in which they won various first division awards. "I feel it benefits an individual greatly. The basic skills taught apply not only to the military, but also towards ordinary, everyday life." said sophomore Tricia Schellen-berg.

Students see ROTC, at first, as a way to get rid of

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Company, *Row 1:* Brad Austin, Sabrina ·llman, Jennifer Sellner, Avery Falk, Tonya ckley, Michelle Garcia, David Washburn, *(Row 2:)* nny Eudy, Phillip Johnston, Scott Carpenter, ıth Dalton, Jimmy Doolin, James Hutto. *(Row 3:)* gela Chumbley, Pam Eldweas, Becky Bradford, ke Rasmussen, Jody Paugh, Terry Farmer, John Newton. *(Row 4:)* Steven Beckham, Lori Schmidt, Chris Gonzalez, Craig Allen, Stephen Boyd, Jennifer Shramm. *(Row 5:)* Karen White, Melanie Wright, Jeff Thorp, Brian Duncan, John Pat Lee, Bobby Duke, John Gibson. *(Row 6:)* Frank Kassela, Scott Koger, James Fenstermacher.



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their P.E. credits, but later enjoy the courses that it teaches. "I was first compelled to join ROTC to be on the Rifle Team, but after I sat through the first class, I found out that there was more to ROTC than just playing army." remarked senior, Stacey Green.

During the year, ROTC held its annual Turkey Shoot, which anyone, students and teachers, could participate in attempting to win a free turkey for Thanksgiving, and the Military Ball, which was held at the VFW in Mesquite on March 22, where Tricia Schellenberg was crowned ROTC queen.

"I was really surprised to even be nominated, let alone be voted queen," said Tricia. "Everything was like a dream; unreal, and exciting. I really felt special to think they thought enough of me to elect me queen. When they called my name, I nearly passed out."

Rodney Moffett said, "I am really glad that this school offers ROTC. I cannot stress how much I have learned and improved myself and my attitude. If you need an attitude adjustment, ROTC doesn't need you; you need ROTC."







***Cherrie Harper** and Elizabeth Wingler present the cake at the Military Ball.*

The Color Guard *presents the Flag at the Military Ball.*



Valerie Wingler, *Sandra Burkheimer, Marcy Wojtkowiak, Elizabeth Wingler, and Verna Pecht stand at attention at pre-game.*





Jeff Thorp *rehearses with the Rifle Team.*

Maj. Roger Guynn *and Sgt. Doyle Couch take time to pose for the camera as they chaperone the Military Ball.*





Stacey Green *and his date greet visitors and friends at the Ball.*

Gidget Wilson *and her date talk to a couple of friends at the Ball.*



Spirit, along with Stallion Battalion members Russell Pedvi, Roland [illegible]man, Matt [illegible] and Jim [illegible] cheer the Cornhuskers on.



Stallion Battalion and Blue Brigade Team up with

Sirens and Yells

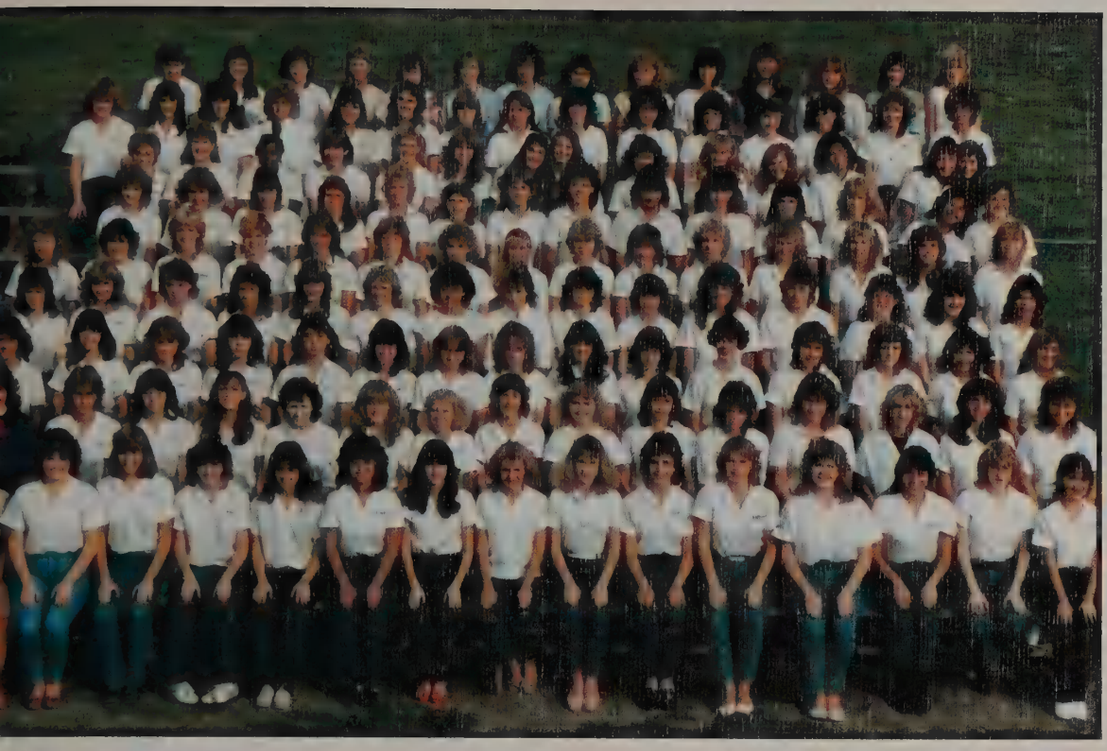
The word "Go" seen at the east side of the stadium, a siren that signaled another touchdown, a group of girls yelling their lungs out, and a white Stallion running down the other end of the field with a group of guys was typical of an NM Friday night football game at Memorial Stadium. The two involved with greeting the visitors and providing a mascot to boost morale were the Blue Brigade card section and the Stallion Battalion.

The Blue Brigade was in charge of greeting opposing teams and help the cheerleaders with their colorful cards. Sponsored by Mrs. Linda Smith, the Blue Brigade met sometimes in the morning and afternoon to prepare for home games. "I think the card section is a super way to promote a visual spirit that lets other fans know how proud we are of NMHS!" said sophomore Becky Gondol. The officers of Blue Brigade help out in assigning and the storage of cards. "The president calls out the instructions and the librarians sort the colored cards so that each person has the right cards to perform the design, then returns the cards to storage after the game." explained Blue Brigade sponsor, Linda Smith.

"The Stallion Battalion's main objective is to promote school spirit." as said by Vice President, Sam Bailey.

Besides being the main objective of maintaining school spirit, the Stallion Battalion was also in charge of protecting Spirit at football games and for its maintenance. The group also aided the Varsity cheerleaders in some stunts as building pyramids and selling mums for Homecoming games.

Anyone who wishes to apply for the Stallion Battalion must be voted in by the majority of the group. The applicants must also maintain passing grades and good records. "I think that many guys have the wrong idea about the Stallion Battalion and are afraid to apply." said Mark Wood, President. "I think that it is an organization to be proud of. It really can be a lot of fun."



Blue Brigade Members: *(Row 1.)* Mrs. Smith, Kim Johnson, Pam Gustoff, Pam Huckabee, Debbie Johnson, Lisa Moya, Heidi Cook, Gina Hall, Rhonda Weeks, Susan Pyles, Andria Wight, Tara Rankin, Sylvia Rodriquez, Theresa Maughn, Shannon Stover, *(Row 2:)* Stefanie Powers, Cari Wallace, Kim Scott, Brandy Winkfein, Allison Orren, Christy Miller, Melissa Dickinson, DeAndrea Allsup, Cheryl Bain, Lynn, Bonnie Whitaker, Jennifer Fletcher, Lisa Rash, *(Row 3:)* Wendy Threlkeld, Carrie Bruce, Amy Newman, Deann Welsh, Karon Sparks, Tammie Buchheit, Tammy Peace, Stacy Julian, Stacy West, Tracy Mehegan, Lisa Muldoon, Traci Boshart, Lisa Feemster, Stacy Hale. *(Row 4:)* Tracy Malone, Cindy Hedgpeth, Keilei Thompson, Shannon Fields, Shelly Walthall, Christy Gregory, Susan Sanders, Renay Gray, Julie Barron, Georgia Nations, Rhond Hilburn, Stacey Souther, Jeannie Carder. *(Row 5:)* Jennifer Dunn, Holley Casey, Shannon Beck, Tricia Groblewski, Chris Van Loey, Jennifer Jones, Shauna Earp, Rocky Kirk, Debbie Ahrens, Beth Ardanowski, Amy Heaps, Donna Kauitzsch, Wendy Burkhart, Amy Dickey, Shannon Wright. *(Row 6:)* Kristin Salas, Bridget Alford, Bronya Tuley, Dana Mollett, Kim Holley, Lisa Tolbert, Sara Ghafur, Tracie Avon, Laurie Gates, Shannon Knoblesdorf, Sharon Tipay, Jana Jesse *(Row 7:)* Shelley Cockes, Becky Gondol, Donna Hayden, LeeAnn Henry, Leslie Sadler, Staci Seabolt, Laura McDonald, Xan Cooper, Rhonda Himes, Rhonda Burton, Jill Sink, Becky Hernandez, Kristy Echols, Cindy Ferrara. *(Row 8:)* Sherry Loomis, Sandra Martin, Sofia Stutts, Shannon Watson, April Plunk, Raquel Stevens, Lisa Skinner, Lydia LaNoe, Cindy Johnson, Marlene Waters, Stacey Bowden, Julie Owens, Tammie Driggers, Tracie Lamp, Laurie Cast. *(Row 9:)* Lisa Ash, Kristi Bullock, Vickie James, Jan Farmer, Beth Ashton, Cheryl Thomason, Yolanda Lopez, Amanda McPherson, Susan Martin, Allison Owens, Sarena Mathis, Michelle Alexander, Pam Marweg



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Blue Brigade Officers: *Front Row:* Michelle Alexander, Stefanie Powers, Pam Marweg. *Back Row:* Tracy Malone, Linda Smith, sponsor, Wendy Threlkeld

Stallion Battalion: *Front row:* Matt Foster, Mark Foster, Rolando Guzman, Jeff Lisle, Will Hall, Phillip Miller, Russell Pedri, Paul Myers, Ryan Finch. *Back row:* Mark Wood, Sam Bailey, Jim Bob Holley, Julie Brooks, Tim Thrasher, Mark Jasek, Darrel Evans, Ron Daniels, sponsor.

Students Paint, Paste, and Cut to Produce

Fine Art

Who paints those *awesome* run-throughs? This is a question that one might hear at any given North Mesquite Pep-Rally or football game. The answer is, of course, North Mesquite's *awesome* Art Club.

Sponsored by Ms. Cathy Bradley, the Art Club creates a new run-through each week during football season, only to see it ripped to shreds by the Stallion football team.

Jeff Feinglass said, "The Art Club gives us something to focus on. The first thing I notice at a Pep-Rally is the run-through, and then I 'run-through' it at the football game. My favorite one from this year was the one that said, 'NMHS — Texas Best.'"

After a busy first semester, the Art Club takes a little time to relax, elect officers for the next year, eat donuts, and plan their banquet.

This year's banquet was held on March 6 at Highland Park Cafeteria.

Linda Gray received a plaque for outstanding achievement in the Art Club. Grant Richardson was recognized for designing most of the run-throughs.

Commenting on the purpose of the Art Club, Cathy Bradley replied, "The Art Club tries to involve as many students as possible in promoting school spirit."

Along the same line of reasoning, Varsity football player, Charles Dubose explained, "It makes me feel good to know that someone is really wanting us to win. Those run-throughs may not seem like much, but they are.

Whenever I look at one before a game, it makes me feel good that they put in their time and effort, not just for me and the team, but for the whole school, too. It fires me up and makes me feel like I'm invincible — that I can't be beaten."







Sandy Maxvill, *Juli Quinteros, Chris Sheffield, Shane Withers, Melissa Seachord, Linda Gray, Keith, Warren Fowler, Cathy Sherry Hanus, Debbie Selling, Quillen, Stephanie Fothergill, Carole Kallaus*

Another early morning *painting session! The Art Club prepares the Homecoming run-through.*









Debbie Selling *concentrates on getting the run-through "just right."*

Art Club members *get ready for the "run-through."*

'hris Sheffield *and Warren* *owler put the finishing* *uches on "Texas Best."*



As he anticipated the needle, a generous Larry Holland patiently waits to give blood.

To plan the meals for the entire student body, Karen Stachowiak and Doris Wood discuss different possibilities.

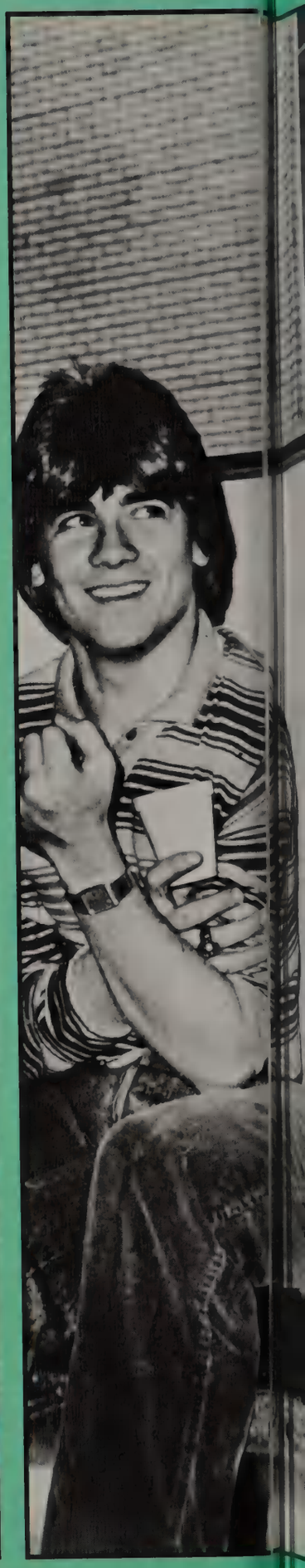




YAC members: Doris Wood, Angie Stegall, Karen Stachowiak, Renay Gray, Karen Graham, and Carol Cooley.



Listening intently, Cynthia Goode absorbs information at a Student Council meeting.





In the Interest of Fellow Students These Groups Work for

Improvement

Guess who decorated the office Christmas Tree? Who helped work the Blood Drive tables? Who decides what the lunch menus will be? If you guessed the Student Council and the Youth Advisory Council, you were right. Both groups benefit the student body, but in different ways.

The most visible of these two groups is the Student Council, whose members are elected at the beginning of each year by their classmates.

"The Student Council organized and unified the student body, and also informed the students of events and happenings around the school," Stephanie Powers stated.

"Members of the Student Council act on behalf of the student body to make changes and initiate programs that benefit both the students and the school," Randy Trosper said.

The first activity of the Student Council was decorating the office Christmas Tree. They also sponsored the Annual Blood Drive on February 4, collecting blood in the event that an NM student may need it. There were 74 pints collected from students over the age of 18, or 17 with their parents permission.

Another activity, a teachers' luncheon, was given on April 25 in the teachers' lounge. The luncheon is held every year to show appreciation for the hard work and dedication of the teachers. The menu included barbeque, beans, and potato salad, and the members of the Student Council brought the salad and desserts.

Youth Advisory Council, the other service group, met on the third Thursday of every month. The students work with the cafeteria personnel to provide students with balanced meals and help correct or clear up problems with the food.

"Sometimes we taste-test food before it's served. We also had a bake sale at Easter, a Christmas Brunch for the teachers, and a Senior Breakfast on May 15," Karen Stachowiak explained.



***After being** good Samaritans and giving blood at the Blood Drive, Chris Hamilton and Brad Winkfein put pressure on their arms and drink orange juice to replenish lost vitamins.*

Student Council members: Cynthia Goode, Nanny Stutts, Barrett Haberer, Tracey Way, Randy Trosper. *Row 2:* Cindy Johnson, Julie Owen, Angie Stegall, Kristin Salas, Angie McClure, Cindy Ferrara. *Row 3:* Jennifer Dunn, Wendy Threlkeld, Laura Mays, Donna Kauitzsch, Kimberly Russell. *Row 4:* Brian Ishmael, David Burgan, Xan Cooper, Greg Goode, Brian Gloden, Rhonda Weeks.



Miles Haberer and Chris Miller listen intensely to th plans for the ice-skating party.

Hardworking And Dedicated, The NHS And Speech Club

Make the Grade

Two of the groups dedicated to academic excellence are the National Honor Society, sponsored by Helen Griffen and Mrs. Gloria Benevedes, and the Speech Club, sponsored by Mrs. Connie Hetzer.

The National Honor Society is made up of students with one thing in common. They excel in academics. Many of the members participate in other school-sponsored activities such as sports, band, cheerleading and drill team, but this is the only organization that recognizes students who maintain high grades. "It (NHS) makes me feel like making A's is not a waste of time. I feel like somebody appreciates my work," Marian Temple explained. Meeting regularly, the National Honor Society once again sponsored a canned food drive at Thanksgiving for families in need. In mid-January they went skating at Plaza of the Americas.

Another dedicated group of students is the Speech Club. Attending tournaments and UIL contests keeps the members busy preparing the materials for their debates. Junior Marian Lea said she joined the Speech Club because, "I wanted to gain experience in communicating with other people. Communication is important, and sometimes people do not do nearly enough of it."



"What is this stuff?" Randy Trosper asks Barrett Haberer as they box up the food for the NHS canned goods drive.



"Why do we have to meet sooo early?" Andrea Harris objects while Michelle and Tracy Mehegan contemplate life.

President Barrett Haberer obtains the attention of the NHS to start the meeting.









NATIONAL FORENSICS LEAGUE

Front Row: Erich Hurst, Robby Hamilton, Wendy Davis, Ellen Carroll *Back Row:* Connie Hetzer — Sponsor, Brian Mayes, Jim Holley, David Myer *Not Pictured:* Donna Hayden, Melissa Perkins, Dwight Reid, Woody Robinson, Lisa Vestal, Jay Propes, Brent Fisher, David Farris, Kris Kath, Christina Jackson

SPEECH CLUB

Front Row; Elizabeth Haley, Jennifer Johnson, Charla McDill, Julie Fuller, Trent Tedder *Second Row:* Marit Tangen, Ky Nguyen, Lara Stone, Erinn Wilcots, Patsy Burkey, Kim Mank, Greg Wilborn *Back Row:* Steve Gillespie, Jason Haddock, Tony Bo Sunekear, Brent Denton, Robert Clouse, Russ Paulov

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Front row: Ms. Benevides, Anne Morris, Andrea Harris, Tommy Hubacek, Sherry Blue, Barret Haberer, Randy Trosper, Elizabeth Haley, Tracey Way, Steve Novakovich, Karen Stachowiak, Linda Taylor, Edward Abarquez, DeAnn Holloway, Kayla Price, David Marrel *Row 2:* Jenny Leggett, Kristy Williams, Amy Ashmore, Alison Owens, Cindy Ferrara, Leslie Sadler, Cynthia Goode, Debbie Parker, Ronnie Aga, Tara Daves, Melissa Perkins, Bob Vukasovich, Shelley Vorwerk, Andrea McFadden, Bryan Tomes, Danny Owen *Row 3:* Randy McCormick, Jimmy Lee, Donnie Aga, Mike Vestal, Steve Kauitzsch, Leslie Cain, Lisa Carter, Daron Moor, Jeff Kofahl, Mike Rasmussen, Howard Hunter, Leah Alysia Gamblin, Jamie Southern, Suma Matthews, Sean Landry *Row 4:* Becky McElyea, Ellen Carroll, Lauren Bradbury, Cheryl Hartman, Cindy Culpepper, Kristen Crockett, Melany Guy, Robby Babb, Amy Kilpatrick, Lisa Tyree, Christina Dwayne Butler, Mechelle Marshall, Wendi Carver, Heidi Cook, Carrie Aldrich *Row 5:* Courtney Deal, Vonna Thornburg, Carrie Laughlin, Marian Lea Temple, Shelley Easley, Pahyllis Miller, Aaron Frich, Kristi Miller, Robby Lopez, Amy Wilson, Stacey Souther, Cathy Oper, Windy Mattheissen, Charla McDill, Lisa Muldoon, David Myer *Row 6:* Shelley Cockes, Cindy Heelgpeth, Raquel Stephens, Becky Gondol, Tracey Mehegan, Paula Clark, Lisa Vestal, Teresa Lester, Phillip Hearn, Melissa McFadden, Wendy Davis, Erich Hurst



***Co-editors Sherry Blue** and Edward Abarquez oversee eleven staffers during production of a yearbook.*



***Billy Vaughn** is first chair bass player as well as the president of the Honor Orchestra.*

Organization officers prove to be

Leaders of the Packs

With over thirty acknowledged organizations on the North Mesquite campus, there is a need for an individual to preside as the leader of each organization. These individuals were elected by their fellow members for their leadership quality and for their ability to get along with their peers.

In the foreign language clubs, Richard Gotthardt was the leader of the Latin Club, Tommy Hubacek was the French Club President, and Kelly McPherson was elected as Spanish Club President.

As leaders of new organizations, Donna Person, Zell Yates, and Michelle Mehegan must preside with strong authority in order to strengthen the clubs. Zell was president of the Aerospace and Aviation Club while Michelle was captain of the Whiz Quiz Team. Donna became the first president of FCM — Fellowship of Christian Musician.

The Student Council and the NHS provided noteworthy service to the school as well as the community. In charge of its activities, Barrett Haberer was president of the NHS. As a four-year member, Cynthia Goode was the elected president of the Student Council.

Large groups like the Blue Brigade, ROTC, and FHA need leaders that can keep a large number of students in order. This was handled by Stephanie Powers, president of the Blue Brigade, Kristen Crockett and Karen Stachowiak, class presidents of FHA, and Stacey Green, battalion commander of the ROTC.

During the football season, three of the most spirited groups are the Stallion Battalion, the Cheerleaders, and the Pacesetters. Leading these groups are Mark Wood, president of the Stallion Battalion, Cynthia Goode, head cheerleader, and Leslie Langford, captain of the Pacesetters.

In the music department, talent as well as leadership must be present in all leade of the organizations. Robe Doleshal, a four year choi member, was the presiden of Chorale. Billy Vaughn, regional bass player, wa president of the Honor Or chestra while Jodella King an all-state clarinet playe was president of the Bi Blue.

Another kind of leade ship is found in the jour nalism department. The rol of being editor-in-chief mus be played by an experience individual. The editor-in chief of the newspaper sta was Dena Farnsworth, th editorship of the yearboo staff was shared by Sherr Blue and Edward Abarquez.



As a second-year flag corps captain, Debbie Burchfield teaches the routines for the football season.

Preparing notes is one of the many presidential duties Cynthia Goode has as president of the Student Council.





After beating out thirteen other hopefuls, Leslie Langford became the Pacesetters captain.

Aerospace Takes Trip to Houston and Comes Back

Spaced Out

Aerospace and Aviation is an organization that deals with space, flight, and the aspects of flight. It was open to students who were interested in aviation and the operations of planes. To be in this group, members had to maintain passing grades, especially in math and English.

"This group has been the best group of Aerospace and Aviation students since I have been at North Mesquite. They were chosen according to their interest in Aerospace and Aviation and how well they performed in previous English and math classes," explained Mrs. Pinston, Aerospace and Aviation sponsor.

Reading books, studying art, watching the news, and keeping up with the current events, is part of the daily routine for a member of the Whiz Quiz team. "We read newspapers, news magazines, watch other teams compete, research our own questions, and scrimmage against other teams," commented Richard Gouhardt.



Whiz Quiz
1st Row: Ronson Page, Ky Myguen, Carrie Bruce, Kerrylea Etter, Karen Graham.
2nd Row: Elizabeth Haley, Jamie Cox, Craig Kurkendall, Edward Baptista.
3rd Row: Jackie Foshee, Tracy Mehegan, Tommy Hubacek, Michelle Mehegan.
4th Row: Mrs. Allen, Ms. Dugan



***Whiz Quiz** team challenges brains with the sponsors.*



***At a meet** with Western Hills, Elizabeth Haley, Karen Graham, Richard Gothardt, and Michelle Mehegan concentrate on the question.*



***Zeli Yates** checks out the cockpit of the Shuttle Stimulator.*



Mrs. Glenda Pinkston, ***Zell Yates, Angelo Casaburri (Aerospace Education specialist and NASA briefer), and Mrs. Pinkston's son, Chris, explore the mock-up of the space station that is expected to be deployed in 1989. Bids have recently been sent and a contract is to be awarded this fall.***

Aerospace/Aviation *Row 1:* Tim McKenzie, Joe Hatfield, Donna Duke, Chris Pinksto. *Row 2:* Keith Higginbotham, Jeff Gouge, Shane Nicholson, Amy Parker. *Row 3:* Brian Pinkston, Glenda Pinkston, Tracy Hagar. *Row 4:* Zell Yates, Randall Keel, Keith Crockett, Tony Soneraer, Bart Stiles.

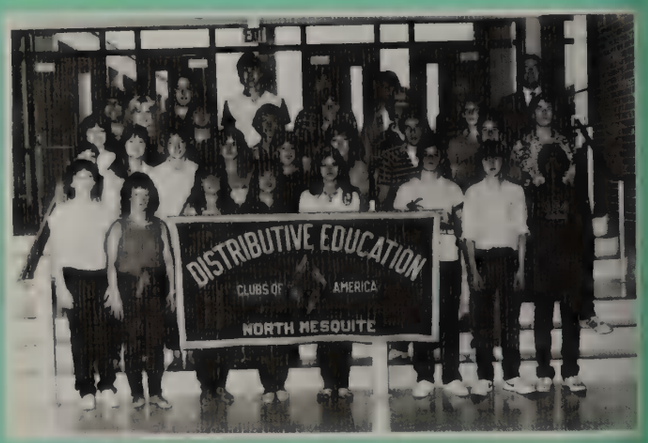




Working for a Living









HOCT members: *first row:* Debbie Donaldson, Melissa Jensen, Christina Jackson, Corolyn Kinman, Kris Kath, Trina True, Pat Santos. *Second row:* Edwards Campos, Michele Cooper, Kim Guyton, Sandy Rankin, Kernie Brashier. *Third row:* Andrea Hall, Katy Horton, Tammy Watkins, Donna Schindler, Melanie McGill, Victor Salas. *Fourth row:* Mrs. Brenda Young, sponsor, Erinn Wilcots, Stephanie Davis, Michele Jensen, Lisa Drummond, Tommy Barham

Health Occupation Students of America is a program in which the students work in health related jobs for half a day and go to school for half a day. These students participate in competition events all the way to the National level and in the annual Town East Mall Vocational Display. They also plan social events and community service projects and have field trips and guest speakers. Also, claims Ms. Brenda Young, HOSA sponsor, "The students youth organization is involved in the development of leaders."

Seniors Marvin Waters, ***Dale Wilkinson and Brian Fahey learn cutting techniques in Building Trades.***





HECE members: *first row:* Kristy Dalton, Lisa Mora, Krystal Rabe, Angela Jones, Alison Hall, Kellie Molina, Laura Schmerber, Tammy Oakly. *second row:* Kristi Malone, Gina Oakly, Leila Ghafar, Dianna Heath, Monica Montoya, Kelli Brents, Renee Hobbs, Kim McAfee. *third row:* Jimmy Scott, Kim Cater, Donita Russell, Melissa Cohen, Pam Morrow, Kelly Curry. *fourth row:* Mrs. Taylor, Kerri Porter, Cindy Goode, DeLynne Lucas, Ray Everett, Scott Ahrens, Byron Linsteadt.

The work program Cooperative Education combines one hour of class with fifteen hours of on-the-job experience each week. All jobs must qualify by involving homemaking skill such as day care centers, food service establishments, clothing stores, and home furnishings. Students receive a grade from the employer and this counts as one-third of their grade.



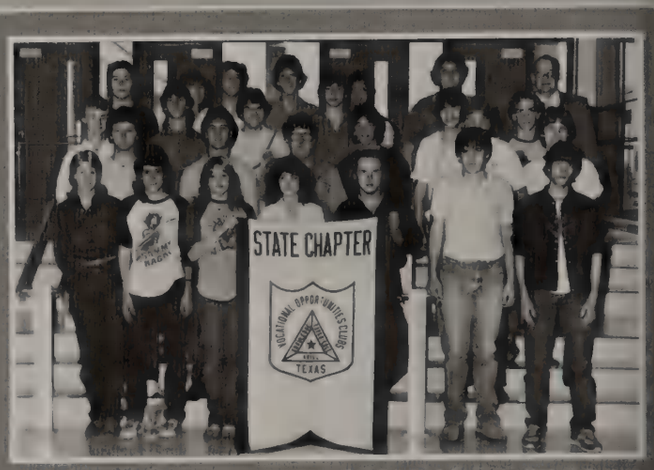
State Qualifier ***Jeff Allen works on another of his many brilliant projects in Drafting.***

For Money and Experience Students Are

Working for a Living

In the vocational Office Education program students learn to use the various types of office equipment, including memory typewriters, calculators, dictaphones, and office computers such as the IBM PC a Word Star and the CTP. Jill Scott, junior, joined because "VOE gives me the experience I need for which one exception I decide to enter, typing. It is the secretarial field of the business world that he could learn to deal with job-related so that they will help me with my present job and will also help me find a job in the future."

VOE also has its own club,



VOCT Members
Row 1: Debbie Tolliver, Dessie Kenneth Kelli Harris, Wynn Pitts, Kenneth Ramos, Penny Wilson, Darrell Hastings
Row 2: Kenya Edwards, Scott Davis, Phillip Daniels, Kevin Jones, Doug Hoyle, Michael Carroll
Row 3: Leland Anderson, William Barkley, Darren Ingold, Jason Branyon, Mark Campbell, Keith Collins
Row 4: John Hutchison, Matt Lawrence, Paul Kirk, Gerald Bunger, Damon Christenbox, Marty Maples, Wesley McWyatt

Vocational Opportunities Clubs of Texas is primarily a program for CVAE students. They participate in a dual education program where they learn a saleable vocational skill while also acquiring basic knowledge in the fields of English, Math, Science, and Social Studies. This dual approach enables students to reach maximum personal development, including employment potential, within their ability in the shortest possible time. This program also enables the students an opportunity to develop in a leadership way. It provides jobs that let the students learn and experiment with people and different situations.



Charles Lofton, junior At Home Interiors, worked a lot of cash and learned



VICA members
Row 1: Terry Skinner, Jeff Smith, Lee Morgan, Kim Hannah, Wayne Hopkins
Row 2: Dale Dobson, Chad Hampton, Shannon Stephens, Paul Bradbury, Edward Petty
Row 3: Jose Diaz, Danny Ellis, Robert Tanner, Norman McLaren
Row 4: Troy Pree, Jeff Garnett, Tim Barnes, Keith Kolbo

The most valuable aspect of Vocational Industrial Clubs of America-Industrial Cooperative Training is acquiring valuable on-the-job experience. Besides the experience obtained from being in this organization, people in this group get out of school early and get three credits while making good wages in the process. As Troy Pree, senior, put it, "After graduation I will have a well established job that keeps getting better (I work at Flore's Floors with my dad), and I know I won't have to worry about scrounging for a job to support a family."



David Austin, *works intently with the milling machine in Metal Trades.*

Eric Leerssen, *displays his plaque and medal that he won as a State Qualifier in Metal Trades.*





Auto Mechanic *David Reed proudly shows off his project that enabled him to become a State Qualifier.*



ectrician Russell *Winslow plains to novice Michelle mond, both juniors, how the vice works.*

Glenda Pinkston: Aerospace and Aviation, Biology I. **Lynnell Prater:** Homemaking I, III. **Phyllis Reed:** Physical Education, Health, Girls JV Basketball. **Julie Reynolds:** English II. **Jan Richardson:** Typing I.

Cindy Riley: Algebra I, II. **Ben Robertson:** Government, Psychology, Girls Track, Cross Country. **Sammy Rusk:** English III (H). **Bill Scott:** Senior counselor. **Robert Shiflet:** Business law.

Cynthia Smith: American History, World History. **Linda Smith:** Geometry, Algebra I. **Patsy Spikes:** Physical Science. **Claude Tarver:** Intro to Algebra, Algebra I, Varsity Football. **Bill Taylor:** World History, Outdoor Ed, Varsity Football.

Cheryl Taylor: HECE. **Marjorie Taylor:** World History, Latin I-IV. **Ron Taylor:** English IV, *Trailblazer* adviser. **Carolyn Teagle:** Secretary. **Denise Theriot:** Intro to Algebra, Training, Fundamentals of Math.

Barbara Thomas: Pacesetters, JV Drill, Physical Education. **Kathy Tidwell:** English II, III. **Joan Timms:** Reading Skills, Reading Improvement, English ESL. **Janice Tonroy:** Home Furnishings, Home and Family Living, Home Management, Homemaking II. **Ed Trew:** Adv. Metal, General Metal, General Electrical Systems.

Larry Wagliardo: Computer Math I, II. **Charles Weeks:** Fundamentals of Math, Intro to Algebra, Frosh Football, Basketball. **Dottie Wells:** Registrar's Secretary. **Ray Wilson:** DE I, II. **Betty Wohlschlager:** English I.



Wesley Wyatt: CVAE. **Brenda Young:** HOCT (PEL).

From Fixing Clocks and Lifting Weights, NM Faculty Have Unique

Hobbies

Five years ago, Mrs. DaNaune Bloodworth got a call from her father to fix one of his clocks. She agreed to try, and after succeeding, she started a hobby that is still going strong.

"I find repairing clocks very interesting because each clock is different. It also provides relaxation and a change of pace. I enjoy the challenge and the sense of accomplishment when I finish the job." Mrs. Bloodworth explained.

Another teacher with a unique hobby is Mrs. Linda Muhl. Several years ago when she was teaching American History, she decided she wanted to master the early American Arts.

Mrs. Muhl has learned to crochet, bake with yeast, make jams and jellies, and do tole painting. She does these things because, "It's so far from my school responsibilities that it is a welcome respite."

Many of the male teachers have athletics-oriented hobbies like weight lifting and running.

Because of his self-proclaimed small size in college, Coach Kenny Barnes became interested in weight lifting. "Since I was smaller than most of the other guys, I felt lifting was the key to my being able to compete against bigger people."

Mr. Robert Shiflet claimed, "Running improves the cardio vascular fitness and also promotes a positive attitude."



As her hobby, *Mrs. Bloodworth fixes clocks. She finds repairing clocks interesting because each one is different.*





Standing next *to a life-like painting of a cowboy, Mrs. Cathy Bradley displays an example of her hobby, painting.*

Playing horseshoes *with his son, Mr. W. A. Minnick relaxes at his lake cabin where he also enjoys doing many of his other hobbies: playing tennis, water skiing, boating, gardening, hunting, and camping.*

NM Clubs Prove to Have

Dedication

North Mesquite is made up of different kinds of people who show their dedication in assorted ways. Whether a student chooses to give up a class period and credit to help out in the library or in the office or, chooses to give up some extra sleep to attend an early-morning FCA devotional makes no difference; in either case, students are displaying their support for an organization at North Mesquite.

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes is a non-denominational organization that encourages students to become closer in a friendly, Christian atmosphere. Sponsored by coach Gary Blair and coach Debbie Deaton, FCA offers students a chance to express their faith and grow spiritually by attending retreats and early-morning devotionals.

Library and office workers are there to try to take some of the pressures off of the librarians and the administration. Things like shelving books and looking up schedules may not seem time-consuming, but when you have hundreds to do each day, things can add up. Among other things, office workers deliver passes, escort new students to classrooms and deliver notes to teachers. Library workers shelve books, check books in and out, and keep track of library fines. Even though the job are different, the purposes are the same, to keep North Mesquite operating as efficiently as possible.





***One smile** to a customer! M Flowers checks out a book card.*

***Library helpers** work hard keeping files straight and books in line.*



Office Workers

Row 1: Johnny Benavidez, Suzanne Doughty, Kay Southern, Linda Gray, Eva Robles, Cynthia Dennis, Lois Jones, April McLemore, Greg Hernandez *Row 2:* Kurt Brockman, Richard Pearson, Lee Brading, James Johnson, DeeDee Deets, Laura Manly, Julie Nichols, Janice Burnett, Donna Schlinder, Vincent Guerra *Row 3:* Sloan Newman, Jennifer Jacobs, Steve Skinner, Michelle Kirkpatrich, Dana Anthony, Pricilla Martin, Mary Wallace, Cassie Phillips, Chad Pearson *Row 4:* Jeff Gloden, Joe Ward, Mike Collins, Darrell Petter, Curtis Arther, Suzanne Lee, Paul Cannaday, Chris Hamilton, Todd Ferrera, Heath Bobo, Jimmy Blair, Randy Kelly, Scott Wojtkowiak, Marty Zumbrun, Larry Holland, Jeff Feinglass, Robert McIntosh

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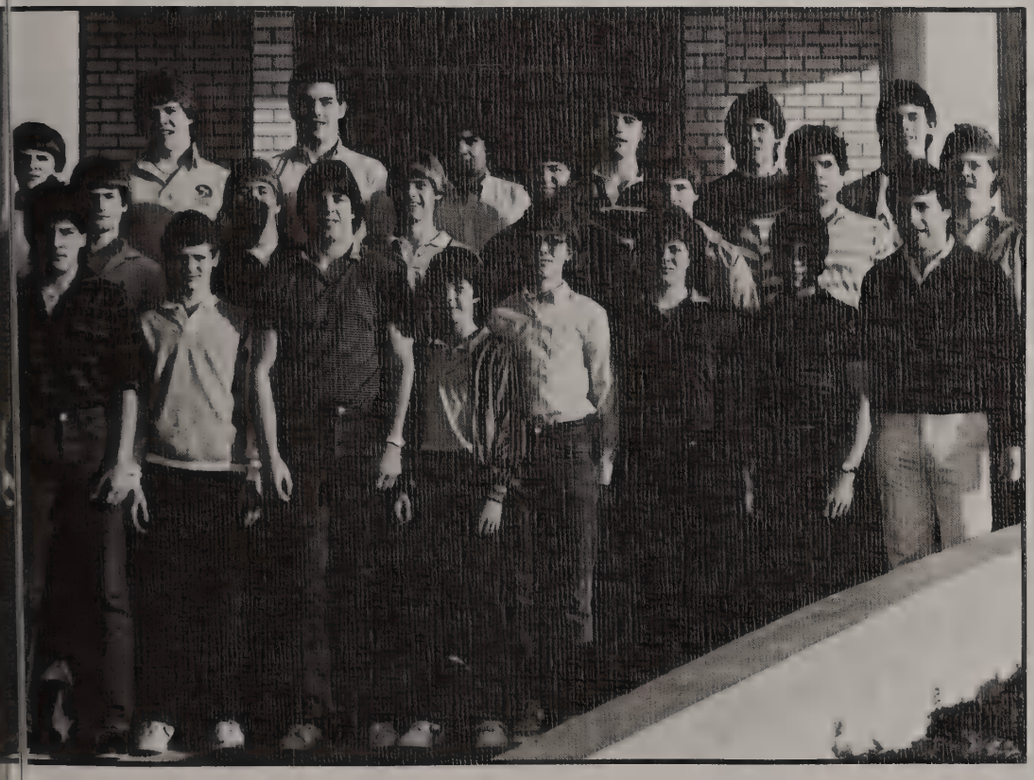
nt Row: Susan Kraps, Amie Tan-
, Mary Trespeces, Robert Tolbert
w 2: Jackie Gilbreath, Valarie
ngler, Keri Kyser, Sybee Holland,
nald Cott

Row 3: Mary Ann Morgan, Ann Flowers, Tim Ocnaschek
Not Pictured: Randy Cott, Sylvia Rodriquez, John Stephens, Melisa Morris



Girl's FCA





Boys FCA

Row 1: J. J. Davis, Earnie Row, Jimmy Blair, Tim Glassen, Eric Halverson, Mark Leone, Chris Limmer, Coach Gary Blair *Row 2:* Jeff Stone, Donnie Lancaster, David Johnson, Brian Ishmehl, Scott Pittman, Norton Diaz, Robby Vaughn *Row 3:* Layne Trosper, Bill Morris, Eric Fultz, Oscar Rosales, Mike Henderson, Shannon Shary, David Sepalvada

Check Out

Academics



Check out our academics. With the arrival of the computers used in the business and math courses, the new propositions of House Bill 72, and the formation of our academic decathlon, we have developed an even stronger emphasis on our academics. We have proved that extracurricular activities are not our only strong points.

The new regulations call for a passing grade of 70, and for the first time seniors had to pass English IV to graduate. Many seniors struggled with their grades in order to receive their diplomas.



As shown *by Steve Skinner, we had to hit the books in order to stay in our extra-curricular activities.*

Cindy Page *is one of the hundreds of Seniors who had to be more studious this year.*



Mrs. Glenn stayed after school to tutor her students, and like Melissa Jones, many appreciated the extra help.



"Is this it?" Claudia Perez asks Ms. Mitchell in an after-school tutoring session.



Even though it was early, the band played on!

Many students had some trouble supporting the Stallions early morning Pep-Rallies.





A Business Magnet, a State Legislature and the Governor Produce Sweeping Educational Changes with

House Bill 72

"Who is H. Ross Perot?" This is the question students began asking when the State Legislature met in July of 1984 to hear the report of Perot and his "Blue Ribbon" Committee.

Indeed, who is this man whose opinions suddenly had the power to change our lives? It soon became common knowledge that Perot was the multi-millionaire head of Electronic Data Systems and an obviously successful business man. But what has that got to do with school??

Many teachers felt that since Perot was not involved in education and had no such background that he was not qualified to review Texas' educational system.

Ms. Peggy Bowdoin remarked, "Mr. Perot nor any member of the Governor's 'select committee' was in the field of education at the time of their appointment. Mr. Perot needs to teach at least one year before evaluating the school system in Texas! I am not qualified to review a corporation; I am an educator."

Ms. Cindy Riley agreed, "He should teach school for a day!"

One teacher commented, "A group of men and women who deal in education as well as a panel of students would make a better review board."

Regardless of opinions however, the legislators took Perot and his suggestions seriously and created the controversial House Bill 72.

The effects of the new legislation were felt in all areas at North Mesquite. The Big Blue Band was forced to skip the Parade of Champions when it became evident that they would have to miss a day of school to attend.

Athletes became more and more apprehensive as each game day approached. "Will my grades be good enough?" they wondered. The entire student body protested the curtailing of field trips and the abolishment of Pep-Rallies during school hours. Many students became apathetic about school.

One student commented, "Why should we even try to do well? They are just going to keep taking things away."

"Morale is lower than it has ever been," a faculty member stated, "Teachers want to leave and students can hardly wait to graduate."

Ms. Martha Adcock said, "We, the students and teachers, feel trapped by something that is beyond our control."

House Bill 72 also brought into existence the Essential Elements, a curriculum guide of sorts that created even more paperwork for the already overburdened teachers.

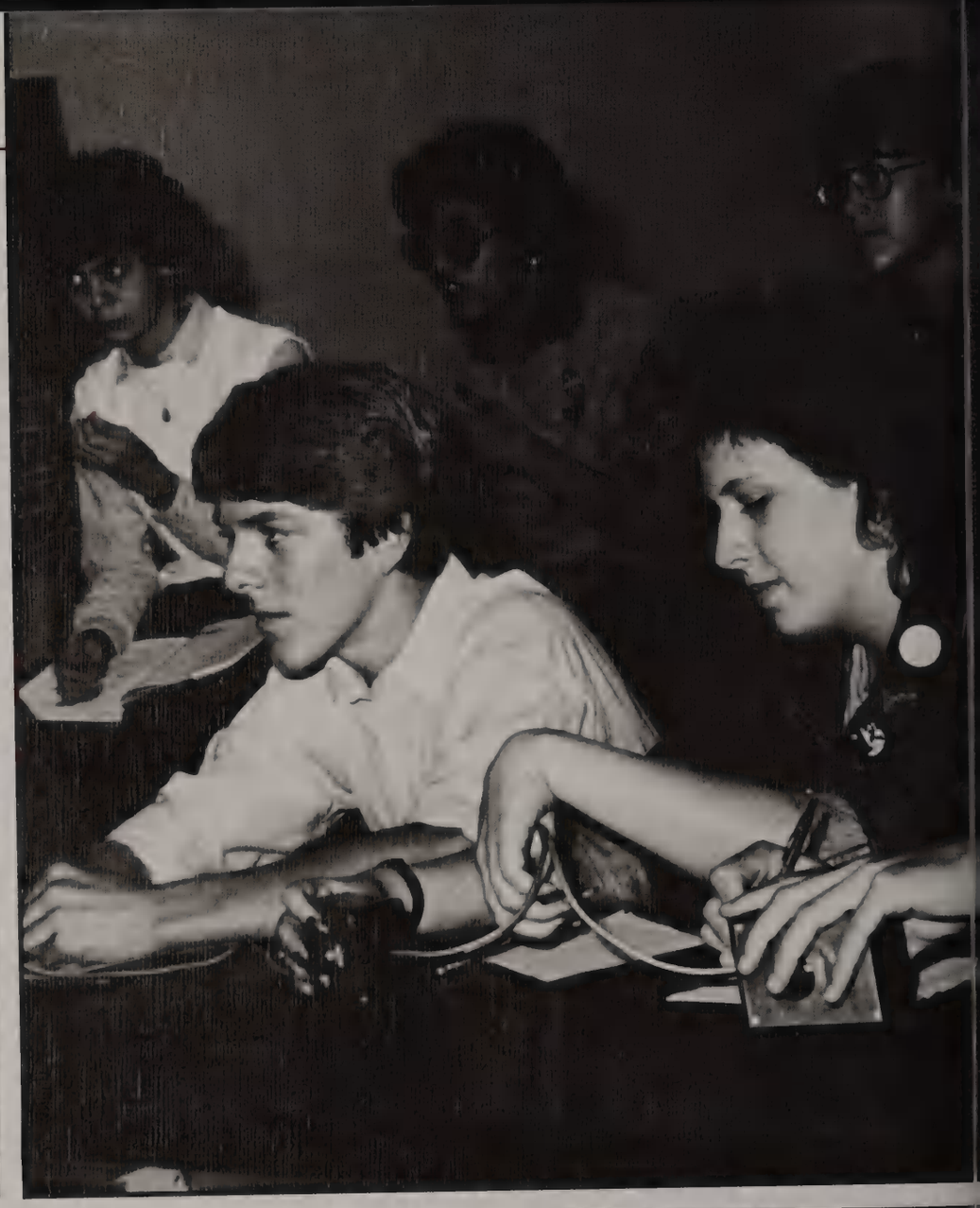
Many teachers felt that the Essential Elements were already being taught and that keeping track of them made no sense what so ever. "Teachers have taught the essentials *always*. Now we have been asked to keep track of them — a useless clerical task that wastes time and detracts from teaching," one teacher said.

One faculty member summed things up rather well stating, "We've been doing them for years. Now we have proof!"

Whiz Quiz team at practice.

Robby (come to Jamaica) Babb tries to find some information







Kim Davis and Randy Trosper spend their time in the school library.



Whiz Quiz members show their teamwork at a meet against Western Hills.



Whiz Quiz Team Shows That There's

No Wiz Like Show Biz

Quick thinking, a battle of the wits and a brain filled to capacity with knowledge is what has made Whiz Quiz a success. The members of this group challenged other schools in the area in a Contest of wits to see who could accumulate the most points in several rounds of competition.

Though they did not make the semi-finals, NM's Whiz Quiz team still qualified as the area's overall leading scorer.

Formed by Miss Cora Dugan and Ms. Karen Allen by recruiting students, members of the organization were accepted according to how well they "tested."

Each applicant was given either an oral or written test in the field of their choice containing questions similar to those used in the contest, and when possible, were checked for speed with the use of the buzzer.

"The Academic Decathalon is a contest which includes six choice tests, an essay, two speeches, an interview, and a Super Quiz event," explained Steve Novakovich. The Decathalon was sponsored by Mrs. Dugan and Mrs. Allen. The students were chosen on the basis of grade point average, diversity of course load, and teacher recommendations.

Although this was the first year for the NM Academic Decathalon the team members did very well. Robert Babb won a silver medal in Fine Arts, Steve Novakovich won a silver medal in Fine Arts, Avif Jaffers won a silver medal in Language and Literature. Randy Trosper won a bronze medal in Social Sciences.





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Academic Decathalon Competion — The Winners

1. Mathematics
2. Fine Arts
3. Language and Literature
5. Social Science
6. Science
7. Seven minute interview
8. Two minute impromptu speech
10. Essay Writing
11. Super Quiz — Team Scoring

Robert Babb
Silver — Fine Arts
Steve Novakovich
Silver — Fine Arts
Avif Jaffers
Silver — Language and Literature
Randy Trosper
Bronze — Social Science



***Junior Ronnie** Aga prepares for another meet of the Academic Decathalon*

Some Teachers Prove to Have

Jeckyll-to-Hyde Syndrome

Picture if you will a crowded hallway on a typical Monday morning full of students "eager" to get to their second period class. Among the crowd, the typical Senior, fresh from a first period nap, is walking slowly, making sure that the people around him can read his hard-earned patches on his letter jacket.

Not far away, a Junior can be spotted and heard telling his friends how much he "party-heartied" during the weekend. Behind him, a Sophomore is listening and at the same time telling "freshman" jokes to his colleagues, forgetting that he too was a Freshman just months ago. And around the corner, a Freshman, with a worried look on his face, can be seen dodging elbows and squeezing through cramped spaces trying not to commit the cardinal sin of being tardy to class. While observing the everyday life at North Mesquite, you are greeted with an overwhelmingly friendly "hello" from your fifth period teacher. You are shocked by this sudden outburst of kindness, but you manage to greet him back. Later that day, you get to that same fifth period teacher in class and you say "Hi, how are you doing?" and he replies, "Sit down and get to work!"

Does this sound familiar! It's a case of the "Jeckyll-to-Hyde" Syndrome that affects some teachers. Although not as severe, some teachers have the knack to be friendly out in the halls but then become severely strict and school-minded in class. Their easy-going selves in the halls are exact opposites of their hard, impossible, and time-consuming assignments in class.

A prime example is Ms. Martha Adcock. When you talk to her, her nice and easy-going personality makes you wonder how she could come up with those detailed 20th Century Europe essay tests and her famous one-hundred question government exams.

Mr. John Kline, the band director, is the classic case of a musical perfectionist. Although his wacky sense of humor is a refreshing change from other teachers, you won't feel like laughing when he yells at you for playing a wrong note or the wrong rhythm or not playing at all!

Another perfectionist is Mrs. Barbara Thomas, the drill team director. At the games where the Pacesetters perform, she can be seen chatting away with the girls. What you would not see is her ordering the girls to do a routine over and over again during drill practice. What would you give to not be singled out of eighty girls by Mrs. Thomas if you got out of step or did not kick high enough. To her and Mr. Kline, practice, practice, and more practice just might make perfect!



During a Christmas carol, Mr.John Kline, along with Mr. Coulson, Mr. Towel, and Kevin Sedota, takes a time out from directing and perfecting.



***Setting** his sense of humor aside, Mr. Larry Wagliardo goes back to teaching Lisa Vestal and Ajith John about computers.*

***Ms. Karen Allen** relaxes before handing out a dissecting project to her Biology II students.*









***Mr. Bob McCarty** grins after assigning a four page essay on the Decline of the Roman Empire.*

***Mrs. Barbara Perry** is known for her good comebacks targeted to her smart-mouthed students.*



***After** taking it easy in the teachers' lounge, Ms. Linda Attaway must now face the music by going to her French I class.*

Check Out

People

Check out People. We had the largest Freshman class to ever enter our school. With a total of 803 students, making up almost one third of the total enrollment of 2533. Even though they had more students than the other grades, they were still "underclassmen." We had Sophomores who had to adjust to life after Freshman year. Above them were Juniors. They had a year that consisted of research papers, PSAT exams, and prom preparations. And then the Seniors. As minor "rebellions" of the student body, they had to adjust to the new school regulations of House Bill 72 after living with the old rules for 11 years. As they waited to get out on their own after the May 27th graduation, they reigned as the leaders of the school.





Not missing a spot *junior Ellen Carroll participates in the Latin Club car wash.*

Junior Rashya Nathan *concentrates on her music during choir rehearsal.*

Edward Abarquez
Michelle Ackel
Scott Aldrich
Alfred Aleman
Heidi Alexander



A Super Class

"The 'Seniors of '85' is a super class. I feel like we are the greatest class to come through North Mesquite." Suzie Merryman, Senior Class President, said. She felt that the senior class had many leaders in the group and was highly respected by teachers and underclassmen.

Some of the activities planned by Suzie and her conterparts were Seniors Night at Partners after the Mesquite/ North Mesquite football game, the ice skating party at the Plaza of the Americas, and the Powder Puff game, which helped raise more than $1000 for the Prom. "I felt really good after planning the Powder Puff game and raising $130.00." Suzie explained. They are also in charge of planning their class reunion.

"As a senior class officer, I feel my duties are to take the responsibility of planning activities that we can look back to remember our senior year," Chris Hamilton, Vice President, explained. Chris felt the class of '85 was unique, being the first graduating class effected by House Bill 72. Earlier in the year, Chris made baseball All District, 2nd Team.

Belinda Garza, Secretary, was ecstatic after being elected. "It's really a big responsibility and not all glamour, but to see everybody happy and having a good time after weeks of preparation for an event is a reward within itself," she said.

> "The senior class of 1985 is definitely a very outgoing group of people!"



Suzi Merryman gives her side of the story at a mock trial on Student Government Day.

President
Suzie Merryman

Vice President
Chris Hamilton

Secretary
Belinda Garza

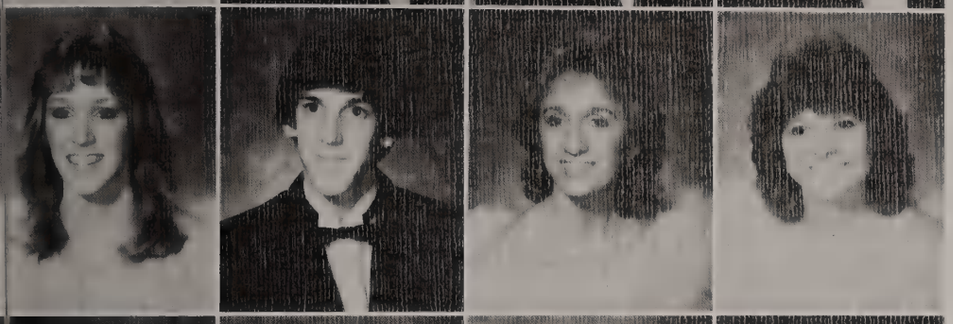




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Jeffrey Allen
Raquel Allen
Jason Alley



Kay Alton
Abel Alvarez
Leland Anderson
Robert Anderson



Starla Anderson
Roger Andrews
Danah Anthony
Donna Armstrong



Curtis Arthur
Amy Ashmore
Vanna Attaway
David Austin



Lester Austin
Carol Ayers
Robert Babb
Dwayne Baber



Sam Bailey
Matt Baker
Kelly Ball
Shelley Bannister

Senior Stats

Eduardo K. Abarquez (10/17/66) Big Blue Band Vice-Pres.; Stallionaires Drum Line; Trailblazer Staff Co-Editor-in-Chief; NHS; NJHS; Spanish Club; Honors Band; Symphonic Band; Art Club; Symphonic Orchestra; Honor Roll

Scott Aldrich (12/23/66) UIL Mock Trial Team; French Club; Speech Club; frosh Track and Cross Country; Aerospace Aviation Club.

Craig Allen (1/6/67) ROTC Drill Team

Raquel Allen (5/29/67) Blue Brigade, JV Drill, Pacesetters; French Club; VOE

Kay Alton (1/20/67) MDE; FHA

Robert Anderson (12/10/66) frosh, JV Basketball; Speech Club; Art Club

Starla Anderson (12/1/66) Blue Brigade; Art Club; OEA

Roger Andrews (11/9/66) JV, varsity Baseball Trainer; JV, Varsity Football Trainer, Varsity Cross Country Trainer; FHA

Danah Anthony (6/7/67) Blue Brigade, JV Drill, Pacesetters; FHA; YAC; French Club

Donna Armstrong (10/3/66) JV, Varsity Soccer, frosh Cheerleader; JV Drill, Blue Brigade; FHA; Spanish Club; FCA

Curtis Arthur (12/20/66) JV football; frosh football; JV, varsity basketball, Spanish Club; mock trial team; FCA

Amy Ashmore (4/10/67) FCA Pres.; JV, varsity volleyball JV, varsity soccer; Homecoming Court; NHS; Spanish Club; Science Club

Vannah Attaway (12/22/66) FHA; MDE

Lester Austin (2/12/67) frosh; varsity football

Carol Ayers (1/28/67) Big Blue Band; Concert Band; Honors Band; FHA; Spanish Club

Robert Babb (8/10/67) NHS; Big Blue Band; Honor Band; Spanish Club; Latin Club; Science Club; Honor Roll

Sam Bailey (12-15-67) Stallion Battalion; Swim Team; French Club; Aerospace/Aviation

Matt Baker (6/25/67) frosh, JV football; Latin Club; Orchestra; All Region Orchestra; Mock Trial Team

Kelly Ball (6/5/66) FHA; FELE; JV, varsity soccer

Shelley Bannister (5/30/67) Swim Team; Blue Brigade; JV drill; VOE, OEA, FHA

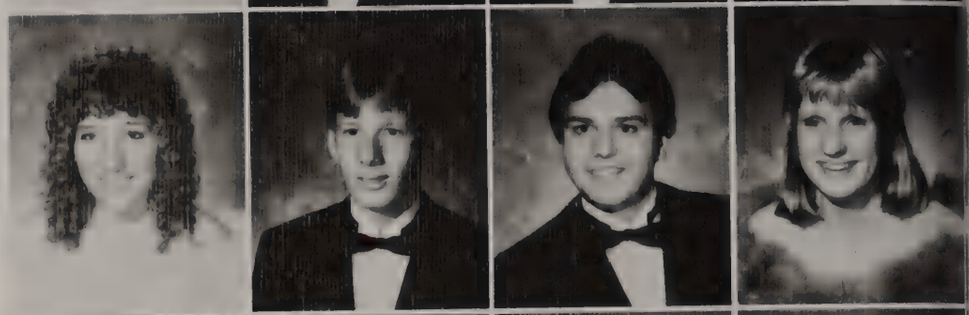
Senior Stats

Tammy Bannister (10/7/66) FHA; Steve Barker (10/27/66) frosh JV basketball; varsity baseball; varsity football; FCA
Danny Barrett (8/22/66)
Marjorie Barrow (9/25/66) honor, jazz, big blue band
James Beeson (6/14/67) calculus club; VICA
Johnny Benavidez (2/12/67)
Deborah Blakney (10/12/66) VOE; blue brigade; OEA
Lisa Blevins (9/27/67) big blue Spanish club; NHS; VOE; OEA
Sherry Blue (10/22/66) *Trailblazer* staff (co-editor, sports editor); NHS; French club; JV drill; blue brigade; NJHS; Honor Roll; Young Life
Larry Blunt (3/28/67) JV, varsity basketball; DECA
Heath Bobo (2/6/67) frosh, JV, varsity football
Bobby Booth (1/25/67) Orchestra; DECA (parliamentarian)
Neely Boyd (6/14/67) honors, big blue band; flag corps; concert, unity, chorale (librarian); honor orchestra, Thespian; FCM (treasurer); French club
Paul Bradbury (12/26/66) VICA
Kernie Brashier (6/5/67) symphonic, jazz, honors, big blue band; Stallionaires drum line; honor orchestra; Nostea Creato; FHA; DECA; HOSA
Elizabeth Breed (5/5/67) symphonic, honors, big blue band; art club; FHA; honor orchestra
Kelli Brents (6/19/67) FHA; varsity swimming HECE; blue brigade
Pamela Bright (5/11/67) jazz, honors, big blue band; FCM (treasurer)
Tisha Brink (5/26/68) JV drill; blue brigade; concert, acapella, unity, chorale; German club; big blue
Kurt Brockman (4/17/67) annual staff (photographer); counselor assistant; Spanish club
Julie Brooks (11/20/66) track; cross country; Stallion Battalion Sweetheart; OEA; FHA; VOE
Janet Bryant (9/6/67) concert choir; varsity swim team (captain) JV drill Science club, French club; blue brigade
Cheryl Buckner (10/14/66) frosh, JV track and cross country; FCA; French club; MDE
Deborah Burchfield (10/27/66) honors, big blue band; flag corps; symphonic orchestra (president); honors orchestra (vice president); Annual staff; Latin club; FCM; Art club; all region orchestra
Julie Butler (7/6/67) honors orchestra (librarian); All-Region orchestra; UIL state solo and ensemble, Latin club; FCM
James Cain (9/5/67) varsity baseball; Spanish club (social chairman); science club; academic decathalon

Tammy Bannister
Steve Barker
Danny Barrett
Tim Barron



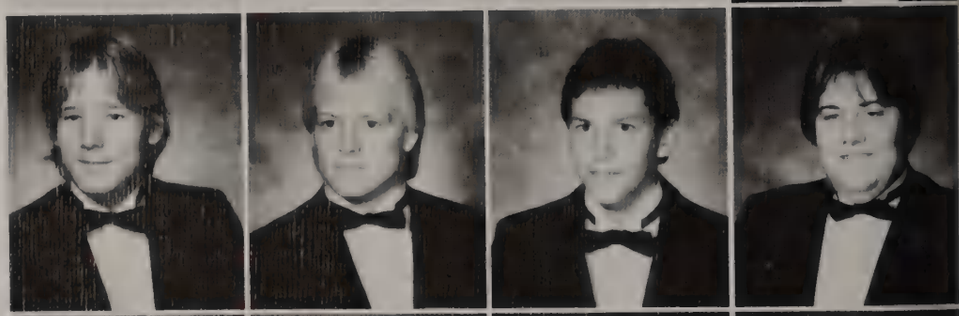
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James Beeson
Johnny Benavidez
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Deborah Blackney
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Sherry Blue
Larry Blunt



William Boaz
Heath Bobo
Greg Boling
Bobby Booth



Neely Boyd
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Kernie Brashier
Elizabeth Breed



Kellie Brents
Pamela Bright
Tisha Brink
Kurt Brockman





Julie Brooks
Michael Brooks
Chris Brown
Randy Brown
Janet Bryant

Cheryl Buckner
Deborah Burchfield
Kelly Burns
Julie Butler
James Cain



Heidi Alexander *stands tall when being fitted for cap and gown.*

Jim Cain *listens to a representative for invitations explain about the packages.*







Trying to decide *the number of invitations, Todd Ferrea finally makes a decision.*

Leila Ghafur *shows off her senior t-shirt with pride.*

Senior Affair

What is a senior? What do they do? For one thing they spend money. Being a senior is fun but expensive. There are things seniors have to buy — cap and gown, which is about $30, announcements, which varied, in cost, and senior pictures.

Along with the necessities came the important expenses, such as the prom, an annual, with the name on the cover, of course, and homecoming. There is a list of things seniors buy that add up fast.

Think about the tickets to football games, the powder puff game, and the basketball games. Or what about the senior parking lot sticker for a privilege to walk in the rain?

Bobby Montes added to the list with, "During pep rallies all of our group had to get articles of clothing or something that we had to use in the pep rallies, therefore causing a great expense."

Being a senior is expensive and as Trinia True said, "Being a senior costs a lot of money and without a part-time job I don't think that I could have afforded it.

Linda Campbell
Jaime Cangas
Paul Cannaday
Lisa Carr
Kimberly Carter



Sharon Carter
Wendi Carver
John Caton
Roger Cave
Kim Cavender



Beth Chapman
Carla Chapman
Todd Chapman
Tracy Chappell
Craig Clark



Minutes Before an Exam,
Students Discover the Art of

Cramming

What is the art of "cramming?" Students define it as "trying to put an excessive amount of knowledge into your brain seconds before a "killer test." Lower-classmen discover the art of cramming as soon as they take Algebra and History. Upper-classmen find that it is the only way to study.

Why do students cram in the first place? Some students work the night before so therefore, they had no choice. But for the majority of the reasons, they cram because they are stricken with the disease called "procrastination."

Senior Kimberly Varner emphasized, "Some teachers actually give time for us to look over our notes before a test. Almost all of us use that time to cram and most of the time, cramming helps!"



***With notes** in front of him, William Hall crams minutes before an exam.*



Lori Clark
Nina Clayton
David Coffman
Melissa Cohen



Rhonda Coker
Clay Cole
Mike Collins
Lynnette Conely



Denise Cooksey
Melissa Cordero
Julie Cornelius
Brian Costa



Randolph Cott
Chris Coursey
Kimberly Cowan
Ken Craft



Keith Crockett
Kristen Crockett
James Cummings
Kelly Currey



Marvin Curry
Matthew Curtis
Kristy Dalton
Mary Darnell

Senior Stats

Linda Campbell (2-13-67) Varsity Track; FHA; Latin Club; MDE; Choir

Jaime Cangas (3-23-67) Spanish Club; FHA; Aerospace Club

Paul Cannaday (7-19-67) frosh, JV, varsity football; varsity basketball; FCA; Spanish Club; NHS; Young Life

Sharon Carter (10-29-66) Chorale (Vice-Pres.); Unity; Concert Choir; Honors Band; Flag Corps (Lieut.); Latin Club (Vice-Pres.); FCM; Thespians; NJHS

Wendi Carver (10-3-66) Spanish Club; NHS; FHA

John Caton (11-11-66) Aerospace Club; Stage band; Marching band; Spanish club

Roger Cave (9-12-66) choir; Latin club; science club; FCM; frosh football

Kim Cavender (8-10-67) FHA; FFA; Cross country; track

Todd Chapman (6-20-67) frosh, JV, football; Spanish club; FCA; DEI

Lori Clark (1-25-67) Big Blue band; Flag corps; JV soccer; JV drill; Blue Brigade; Varsity tennis; MDE; Literary Staff; physical training; FHA

Nina Clayton (5-14-66) NHS; VOE; OEA

David Coffman (7-17-67) ICT I; Auto Mechanics

Rhonda Coker (3-26-67) ROTC; FHA (officer); German Club; Blue Brigade

Mike Collins (1-31-67) frosh, JV, varsity football; varsity baseball; frosh basketball; Spanish Club; NJHS; NHS; Jr. Class Vice-Pres.; Jr. Class Favorite Student Council; FCA; Young Life

Lynnette Conely (1-30-67) Pacesetters; JV drill; JV, varsity track; Blue Brigade French Club

Denise Cooksey (4-11-66) FHA; Big Blue; OEA; Symphonic Band; Concert Band

Julie Cornelius (8-3-67) OEA; FHA; French Club; Pony Express

Brian Costa; (5-30-67) varsity tennis; Spanish Club; varsity swimming; Calculus club

Randolph Cott (9-9-66) Track Cross Country

Chris Coursey (12-16-66) JV Golf team; Acapella Choir; Chorale; Unity; DECA (president)

Kimberly Cowan (6-15-67) Pacesetter (Lieut.); NHS; NJHS; FHA; JV drill; frosh cheerleader; frosh student council; Blue Brigade

Ken Craft (3-4-67) frosh, JV basketball; varsity cross country; varsity track; Art club; Latin club; FCA

Keith Crockett (8-11-66) frosh JV football; Aerospace Club (reporter)

Kristen Crockett (3-16-67) varsity tennis team; JV drill; Pacesetter; Top 10 #6; JV drill instructor; FHA (class Pres.); NHS

James Cummings (8-13-67) BVIASA Contest winner; Indust. Arts Club; VICA-ICT

Kelly Currey (7-13-67) French club; JV drill; Blue Brigade; Young Life; FHA; HECE

Marvin Curry (12-3-66) Big Blue Band; French Club; FCM

Matthew Curtis (12-29-66) Big Blue Band

Kristy Dalton (8-31-67) HECE; PELE; Drama I; FHA

Senior Stats

Kimberly Davis (4/1/67) Academic Decathalon; Science Club; Spanish Club; NHS; JV Drill; FHA

Steve Davis (4/5/67) Frosh Football; Spanish Club

Dianna Deets (3/31/67) Co-Head Varsity Cheerleader; Homecoming Queen

Isaac Deltoro (1/28/67) Varsity, JV, Football and Soccer Trainer; ICT; VICA; Spanish Club; HOSA; HCS; Concert Orchestra

Jim Dennis (11/22/65) Football, Track

Danica Dial (1/11/68) Varsity B-Ball; FHA

David Dial (6/1/66) Frosh Football; MDE

Laura Diaz (10/4/66) Big Blue; Band; Orchestra; Art Club

Mark Dilodovico (11/22/66) Track; Science Club; Spanish Club

Robert Doleshal (1/3/67) FCM; Frosh B-Ball; Chorale (Chaplain Pres.)

Debra Donaldson (11/9/66) HOSA-HOCT (Pres. Parliamentarian); Natl. Forensic League

Valerie Dotson (12/29/66) FMA; Spanish club; CEA (vice pres.); VOE

Virginia Dunne (1/7/67) Blue brigade; Drama; concert, a capella choir; chorale

James Echols (11/2/67) art club; Drama; French club

Christina Edwards (1/3/67) NHS, Big Blue; Honors, symphonic band, art club; Latin club; NHS

John Edwards (11/10/66) varsity football (mgr.); varsity baseball (mgr.); Spanish club

Claire Elsey (11/13/66) FHA; young life; Blue brigade; Spanish club; jv drill; Pacesetters

Roxanne Ericson (7/27/67) FHA; track; young life; jv basketball (mgr.)

Kevin Faciane (2/28/67) FCA; jv soccer; varsity soccer; Spanish club

Dena Farnsworth (6/11/67) FCA; *Pony Express* (editor), *Nostra Croatia*; jv drill; Pacesetters; frosh, jv volleyball; blue brigade

Jeffrey Farz (6/24/67) frosh, jv, varsity basketball; French club; Spanish club

David Farris (11/2/66) frosh, jv, varsity football; varsity track; FCA; FHA; NFL

Wendy Faulkner (7/11/67) Honors, symphonic, Big Blue band; FCM

Todd Ferrara (11/13/66) frosh, jv, varsity football; frosh basketball; jv baseball; varsity track; student council; young life; sophomore class vice-president

Ben Finklea (5/29/66) frosh football

Brent Fisher (8/5/67) FCA; FHA; football; Spanish club; Speech club; drama

Carmela Fisher (4/26/67) orchestra; FHA; Spanish club; Blue brigade

Todd Flentje (4/17/67) jv, varsity cross country; frosh, varsity track; German club; drama

Cydney Forman (9/29/66) FHA

Dorothy Forman (1/24/67) FCA; jv drill; Blue brigade; frosh, jv basketball

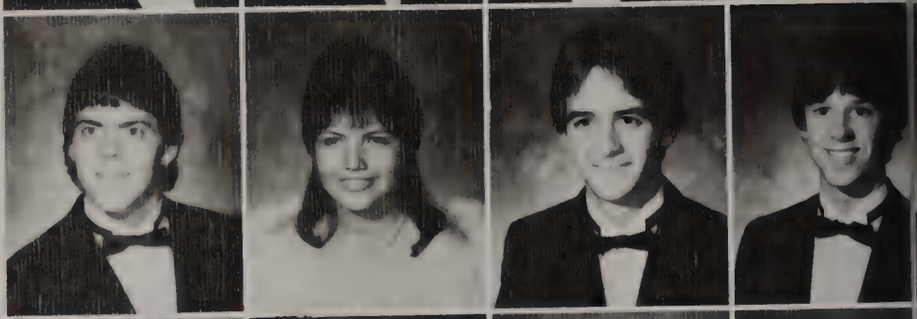
Jeff Davis
Kimberly Davis
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Isaac Deltoro
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Debra Donaldson
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William Ellis
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Brent Fisher

Carmela Fisher
Todd Flentje
Cydney Forman
Dorothy Forman
Felix Foster

Parking in Egypt

Seniors are given privileges that includes special parking lot. Some seniors feel this is good idea, although it should not be located by the tennis courts. As Victor Salas explains, "I think it is a good idea but I don't think it should be as far away from the building as it is now. I think that the senior parking lot should be right behind the school."

Along with the senior parking lot there is also an assigned space that each senior is to park in for the rest of the year. As Robby Hamilton said, "I think that is a very good idea. This way you know that your parking space will always be there in the morning and you don't have to play chicken with another car for that space."

Even though the senior parking was meant to be a privilege for seniors it has turned out to be a burden. As John Denny stated, "That should be a privilege for sophomores and juniors. Seniors should get to park closer." Or as Miles Haberer explained, "I feel it is a burden for the seniors to park 200 yards from school when the juniors are parking 20 yards away."





***Matt Baker** takes his daily trip to his parking space.*



***The back** parking lot is full but still has room for seniors.*

***Deanna Hipp** and Mary Trespeses converse with a friend in the senior parking lot.*

Locker Fashions



Hurrying between *classes, Melissa Kay tries to find her books.*

Suzanne Lee *and Lara Butler pause for a minute between classes.*



Pictures of friends, mirrors to admire one's self, and pictures of Rick Springfield or Eddie Van Halan are what is normally found inside a student's locker. Just seeing pictures and posters pasted inside lockers would help brighten a dreary day at school.

As Donnie Stephens said, "Opening one's own locker and finding memorable pictures of friends, a cheerful drawing or just a simple keepsake hanging from the side is usually enough to brighten anyone's day and put a smile on his face."

There are many ways to decorate a locker. Some decorate the inside but still others decorate the outside for special occasions such as birthdays or spirit. Paula Clark has another idea of decorating lockers, "You could cover it completely in camouflage so as to make it look like there is a bush growing in the middle of the hall."

Everyone has his own idea of how to decorate or brighten up a locker. Some decorate the inside with pictures and posters while others decorate the outside with balloons and streamers. As Joe Elrod stated, "As long as it is kept clean, people should be allowed to decorate lockers. What does it hurt?"

Brian Fitzgerald
Kelly Foster
Matt Foster
Damon French
Raffaele Gaines



Jeffery Garnett
Belinda Garza
Cindy Gensler
Steve Gentry
Leila Ghafur



John Gilbert
Jeff Gloden
Ronnie Glover
Michelle Gonzales
Cynthia Goode

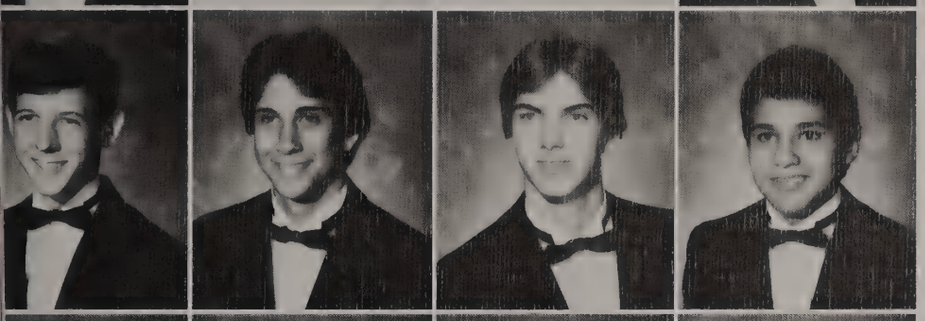




Diana Goodman
John Gotthardt
Bart Graham
Karen Graham



Kenneth Grant
Deanna Gray
Linda Gray
Jimmy Green



Stacey Green
Lewis Griffin
David Grigor
Vincent Guerra



David Gustof
Melany Guy
Jason Haas
Barrett Haberer



Miles Haberer
Tracy Hagar
Priscilla Halbert
Elizabeth Haley



Alison Hall
Michaela Hall
Kerri Hallman
Chris Hamilton

Senior Stats

Kelly Foster (3/14/67) Varsity Boys Basketball mgr.; French Club; FHA
Raffaele Gaines (9/15/67) Track; FHA
Jeff Garnett (11/9/66) VICA; Spanish Club
BeLinda Garza (11/13/66) jr. and sr. class secretary; soph. and jr. class favorite; varsity CC (capt.); NHS; FCA; FHA; Football Sweetheart; frosh, jv, varsity basketball; Spanish Club; Pacesetters; Student Council
Cindy Gensler (2/25/67) FHA; Blue Brigade; DECA; DEA; Young Life; HERO
Steve Gentry (5/16/67) FHA; French Club
Leila Ghafur (11/22/66) HECE secretary; FTA president; French Club; Speech Club; FHA; Concert Choir; Blue Brigade
Jeff Gloden (5/6/67) jv basketball; student council; varsity basketball; spanish club
Ronnie Glover (6/12/67) Big Blue; concert band and orchestra
Mechelle Gonzalez (1/17/67) FHA
Cynthia Goode (6/9/67) frosh, jv, varsity cheerleader (head); student council (pres.); NHS; Youth Advisory Council (treasurer) French Club; Science Club; Blue Brigade
Dianna Goodman (9/23/66) FHA
Karen Graham (3/15/67) Latin Club State Representative; Whiz Quiz; NHS; Youth Advisory Council; NJHS; Big Blue Symphonic Band Secretary
Ken Grant (6/25/67) frosh, jv, varsity football; FCA Science Club; frosh band
Deanna Gray (6/14/67) NHS; Who's Who; All year Honor Roll; OEA; Spanish Club; Blue Brigade; Big Blue; Symphonic Band; NJHS
Linda Gray (2/25/67) Art Club (historian); FHA; French Club; Blue Brigade
Jimmy Green (5/6/67) FHA; FCA; Woods and Water Club
Stacey Green (4/19/67) ROTC (battalion cmndr.) (captain); Thespian; Rifle Team
Vincent Guerra (4/21/67) frosh, jv, varsity football; FCA; FHA; Spanish Club; Young Life
David Gustof (12/3/66) MDEI; Speech Club
Melany Guy (10/9/66) NHS; Pacesetters; Blue Brigade; NJHS; Who's Who; Latin Club; FHA; Young Life
Barrett Haberer (11/12/66) NHS; (president); frosh, jv, varsity cheerleader; FHA; Student Council; Homecoming Court; Science Club; Spanish Club; frosh Favorite; Mock Trial Team
Miles Haberer (11/12/66) 1st team All-District Basketball; varsity Golf Team; Who's Who; NHS; Student Council
Tracy Hagar (8/29/67) Aerospace/Aviation; jv Baseball; French Club
Priscilla Halbert frosh Cheerleader; jv cheerleader, Pacesetter; Young Life
Elizabeth Haley (1/20/67) NHS (secretary); NJHS; Spanish Club (secretary); Whiz Quiz; Speech Club; Math Club; Blue Brigade; All year honor roll
Alison Hall (2/24/67) Spanish Club; FHA; HECE; Woods and Water Club
Michaela Hall (11/3/66) jv drill; Spanish Club; FHA; OEA (officer); Blue Brigade
Kerri Hallman (8/30/67) frosh, jv, varsity basketball; FHA; FCA; jv drill; varsity track; Blue Brigade; Spanish Club
Chris Hamilton (9/8/66) frosh football; jv baseball; varsity baseball; FHA (vice president) Student Council, Young Life; Spanish Club; Senior Class Vice President

Senior Stats

Chad Hampton
(5-21-67) FCA; VICA; Frosh football; FHA

Sherry Hanus
(1-3-67)Blue Brigade; JV drill; Art Club; Spanish Club

Kelley Hargis
(4-28-67) Varsity Soccer; German Club (officer)

Susannah Harmon
(6-3-67) Spanish Club; JV Drill; Blue Brigade; FCA; FHA; MDE; Young Life

Andrea Harris
(7-19-67) Pacesetters; JV drill; Blue Brigade; Orchestra (officer); NHS; Literary Magazine; NJHS Honor Roll

Rhonda Hartman
(11-13-67) Frosh Cheerleader; JV cheerleader; Blue Brigade

Beth Hartsfield
(9-11-66) Blue Brigade; JV drill; FHA; VOE; OEF; Young Life

Shante Hayes
(1-4-68) JV Drill
FHA; Blue Brigade
Pacesetters

Dianna Heath
(10-15-66) Pacesetters; JV drill; Blue Brigade; HECE; FHA

Kathy Henderson
(2-10-67) French Club; Art Club; Blue Brigade; JV drill; FHA; Pacesetters

Randy Hendricks
(4-15-67) frosh, JV, Varsity football; FCA; Young Life;

Tracey Hernandez
(10-1-66) JV Golf; JV Soccer

Debbie Heurtin
(2-4-67) Honors Band; Flag Corps; Jazz Band; Symphonic Orch.

Christi Hill
(2-6-67) Volleyball; JV drill; FCA; DECA and H

Pamela Hiller
(10-6-66) Big Blue Marching Band; Honors Band; FCA; JV, Varsity basketball; Speech Club; FHA; NJHS

Deanna Hipp
(12-5-66) Concert Choir; Acapella Choir; Chorale; Latin Club; Honor Roll; NHS; NJHS

Diron Hitt
(8-12-66) Varsity baseball; frosh; JV, varsity football; FCA; Spanish Club

Larry Holland
(10-26-66) FROSH, JV, Varsity football; Frosh Track; FCA; FHA

DeAnn Holloway
(10-14-66) NHS, Thespian, French Club; JV drill; Blue Brigade; Frosh basketball

Robbin Hosek
(7-15-67) Concert choir, Acapella Choir; Chorale; Blue Brigade; JV drill

Charlton Houpt
(10-21-66) Student Council; Spanish Club; FCA Football; baseball, track; Powerlifting team

Cheryl Houser
(10-19-66) Spanish Club; FHA; Blue Brigade; JV drill; Concert Choir

Tommy Hubacek
(8-26-67) Science Club; French Club (pres.); Wniz Quiz; HOSA; Latin Club; Honor Society; French Club

Patricia Hudson
(6-14-67) Spanish Club

Christina Jackson
(11-13-66) French Club; Speech Club/NFL; Debate Team; FHA; Science Club; HOCT

Melissa Jensen
(12-28-66) Blue Brigade; Track; German Club; Newspaper Staff; HOSA

Renee Jezierski
(10-24-66) JV drill; Big Blue; French Club; Spanish Club



Robert Hamilton
Chad Hampton
Sherry Hanus
Kelley Hargis



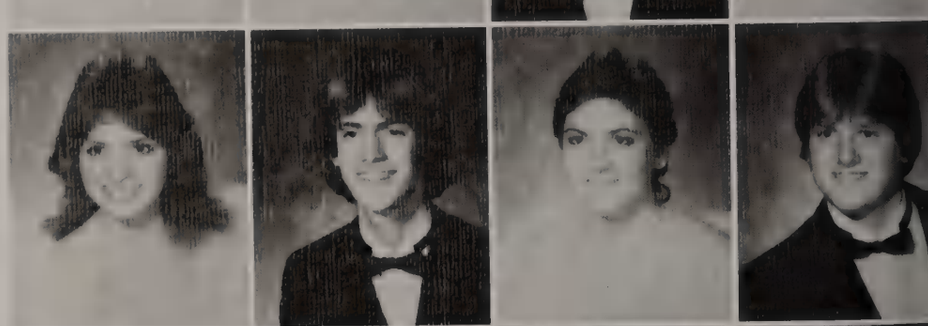
Susannah Harmon
Andrea Harris
Clinton Harris
Rhonda Hartman



Beth Hartsfield
David Harwell
Shante Hayes
Dianna Heath



Teresa Henderson
Kathy Henderson
Randy Hendricks
Lora Hennig



Tracey Hernandez
Hunter Hertz
Debbie Heurtin
Keith Higginbotham



Christi Hill
Pam Hiller
Deanna Hipp
Diron Hitt



***Counselor Bill** Scott helps James Townsend with some information about the SAT.*

When It's Time for SAT's, Students Find Themselves

Getting Testy

There's a phenomenon that few students escape.

The symptoms vary little from student to student. The sweaty palms, the graphite smudges on the fingers, the gripping fear that time is slipping away...

You may have already guessed what it is. Only a freshman or sophomore wouldn't recognize the signs. In any case, the symptoms all point to one thing — the college entrance exam.

Sitting in the test room, unexpected emergencies such as the dropping of a pencil can present a problem. Edward Abarquez, however, found a solution. Instead of making a spectacle of himself by getting up in the middle of the test, he stretched his leg out to its full length and, with his foot, brought the essential pencil within the bounds of his grasp — definitely less conspicuous than quietly retrieving the pencil through conventional methods.

The SAT, probably the most common test, consists of two parts — verbal and mathematics. The maximum score for each section is 800. Students in Mesquite schools averaged a combined score of 909. The national average was 878.

In the long run, most students find that college entrance exams are not quite as hard as they expected. But before the tests, the expectation, anticipation, and frustration cause students to get quite testy.



Renee Hobbs
Larry Holland
DeAnn Holloway
Robbin Hosek
Chuck Houpt



Cheryl Houser
Mike Hoyt
Tommy Hubacek
Patricia Hudson
Trent Hunt



Christina Jackson
Helen Janecka
Melissa Jensen
Renee Jezierski
Anil John

Connie Johnson
Michael Johnson
Stacy Johnson
kelly Johnston
Lois Jones



Carole Kallaus
Kris Kath
Stephen Kauitzsch
Randy Kelly
Suzanne Kennedy



Shawn Kesler
Cindy Killian
Weldon Killingsworth
Jodella King
Kelly King



Honor Student is Just

Clowning Around

At one time or another in just about everybody's life, something is done just because it makes others happy. Christina Sides is one such person. She transforms herself into, what else but, a clown — a real clown.

Christina first became interested in clowning when she was staying with her cousin in Tyler, Texas. She and her cousin dressed up as clowns and went visiting people in nursing homes.

Christina enjoyed entertaining so much that when she got home she bought some make-up and started going to a nursing home herself. She learned most of her tricks by talking to other clowns, reading about clowning and going to the circus.

Being a clown takes a lot more than just looking like a clown. The entertainment is the main part, she says. But Christina has no problem there. She makes animal balloons, does magic tricks, and juggles. At parties she plays games like "pin the nose on the clown."

"I love to laugh and be crazy, making others laugh makes it so much better!" she says.

All made up and ready to go, Christina pauses before she leaves in her clown attire. Inset: Christina as herself.







Matthew Kinkeade
Gary Kinne
Stacy Kinney
Keith Kirby



Brian Kirkland
Michelle Kirkpatrick
Mark Kitts
Karen Kovar



David Lamb
Farley Landon
Leslie Langford
Kerri Lawbaugh



James Lawrence
Karla Layne
Thomas Latherman
Cyndi LeClaie



Eric Leerssen
Jennifer Leggett
Pam Lewis
Cynthia Linthicum



Jeff Lisle
Tommy Livingston
Jena Locust
Stacie Loomis

Senior Stats

Connie Johnson
(6/21/67) French Club; FHA
Stacey Johnson
(11/15/67) Big Blue (treasurer), concert band; symphonic band; honors band (librarian), flag corps; FCM; Pony Express (writer, editor) Honor Roll
Lois Jones
(6/1/67) concert choir, blue brigade; FHA; Spanish club;
Carde Lynne Kallaus
(11/1/66)
Kris Kath
(11/10/66) HOCT; FHA; NFL; German club; Stallionaires; speech club; Big Blue; concert, symphonic band; debate team.
Steve Kauitzsch
(2/20/66) NHS; varsity tennis; Spanish club (vice president); science club; frosh basketball; FCA; choir;
Randy Kelly
(7/23/67) varsity soccer; frosh, jv football, FCA; Spanish Club; FHA
Suzanne Kennedy
(3/27/67) Spanish club; Woods and Water Club; Blue Brigade; FHA
Shawn Kesler
(5/12/67) Rodeo Team (Pres); FFA (Treasurer)
Cindy Killian
(9/16/67) Flag Corps; Trailblazer Staff Big Blue; Symphonic Band;
Welden Killingsworth
(8/29/67) French Club; JV Baseball
JoDella King
(12/29/66) Symphonic Band; Honors Band; Big Blue (Pres); All Region Orchestra; All Region Band; Jazz Band; FCM; UIL Solo Ensemble
Kelly King
(1/19/67) Varsity Tennis; Latin Club; JV Soccer
Gary Kinne
(6/12/67) frosh, varsity Football; frosh, JV, varsity Basketball; FCA: FHA: PowerLifting (State) Student Council; Soph Class President; Track;
Keith Kirby
(12/20/66) VICA
Brian Krikland
(8/12/67) Concert Choir; Blue Brigade JV Drill; Pacesetter DE:
Mark Kitts
(10/17/66) FHA; JV Baseball; JV soccer;
Karen Kovar
(12/14/6) FCA; DE; JV Drill Young Life: Varsity track;
Leslie Langford
(7/27/67) Pacesetter (Capt.) Annual Staff Art Club (Vice Pres) FHA: State Orchestra: JV drill Blue Brigade; All American Drill Team
Kerri Lawbaugh
(5/24/1967) varsity tennis; Band;
Karla Layne
(3/16/67) Literary Magazine OEA: FHA; Pony Express (Typist)
Jennifer Leggett
(8/4/67) Spanish Club; NHS; Latin Club; JV Drill; JV Soccer JV Volleyball; FHA:
Pam Lewis
(1/14/67) Latin Club; French Club; JV Drill; FHA; Blue Brigade;
Jeff Lisle
(3/18/67) Newspaper; Stallion Battalion; French
Jena Locust
(4/19/67) JV Soccer; Blue Brigade; VICA; FHA; MDE; Cosmetology
Stacie Loomis
(5/9/67) Big Blue (Sec); Symphonic Band; Honors Band; Spanish Club, FCM

Senior Stats

Dawn Malone (8/20/67) FHA, SCA, Frosh, JV, varsity basketball.
Kristi Malone (11/6/66) FHA; jv drill; HECE;
Laura Manley (3-26-67) big blue band; symphonic band; concert band; FHA; FCM; drama; FCA; JA;
Priscilla Martin (5/11/67) jv volleyball; acapella choir; concert choir; chorale; FHA; student council secretary; pacesetters; jv drill; prom committee
Michelle Mauldin (3/5/67); blue brigade; French/ Latin club; frosh band
Sandy Matassa (9/24/67) art club secretary; French club; blue brigade; youth advisory council;
Briar Mayes (8/30/67) jv golf, newspaper staff; drama; NFL;
Charles Mayne (4/27/67) big blue; jazz; honors symphonic band; chorale choir; honor orchestra. FCM; art club;
Kimberly McAfee (3/17/67) big blue, concert band; flagcorps. jv drill; HECE vice president; FHA; concert croir;
Nona McCarter (3/17/67) frosh; jv; varsity; track; PELE; MDE; FHA;
Robert McIntosh (3/3/67) latin club; varsity swimming;
Gordon McIntyre (8/23/67) drama, rodeo team vice pres. vocational agriculture; FFA vice pres.;
Wayne McKee (8/21/67) varsity track; varsity cross country; FHA; aerospace/aviation club;
woodswater club French club vice pres.;
LouAnn McKenzie (3/14/67) blue brigade; NJHS; Spanish club; NHS, OEA;
Tim McKenzie (6/12/67) French club; aerospace/aviation club; varsity jv frosh football; woods water club.
April McLemore (6/22/66) art club; blue brigade; jv drill; FHA;
Kelly McPherson (12/7/66) French Spanish club, jv varsity baseball;
Shawn McQuistion (9/23/66) all year honor roll; Spanish club; varsity swim team captain;
Eryn McSpadden (6/6/67) blue brigade; jv drill; pacesetters, concert acapella choir; chorale (sec) French club;
Michelle Mehegan (5/6/67) national merit semi finalist; national honor society; whiz quiz captain; forensic French award; French Spanish club; Americanism oratory award;
Suzie Merryman (5/29/67) frosh jv varsity basketball, blue brigade jv drill; student council, FCA officer; FHA officer; senior class pres.;
Philip Miller (2/2/67) national honor society; jv soccer; varsity soccer; Spanish club; NJHS, stallion battalion vice pres.;
Phyllis Miller (2/2/67) frosh cheerleader; frosh class vice pres. soph student council, pacesetter, national junior honor society, national honor society; all year honor roll; jv drill; French club; blue brigade,
Jonathon Mills (3-22-68) French Club; German Club (pres.), Cross-Country; Whiz Quiz; Tennis; Science Club; FAA; FHA
Nicole Mitchell (9-15-66) Spanish Club; VOE
Melissa Molina (12-8-66) Blue Brigade, JV drill. FHA; OEA
Audrey Monroy (8-16-67) Big Blue Band; Stallionaire Drum Line; Spanish Club; Science Club; HECE (pres.)
Bobby Montes (4-14-67) Spanish Club; Band
Monica Montoya (8-23-67) JV soccer; French Club; Spanish Club; HECE; FHA; Young Life; Varsity Soccer
Daron Moore (10-1-66) NHS; Varsity Cross-Country; Varsity Track; Science Club; Calculus Club; Spanish Club; Varsity Tennis
LaVeta Morris (3-14-67) Blue Brigade; JV drill; Orchestra (treas.), Pacesetters, JV drill instructor, Young Life; All Region Orchestra

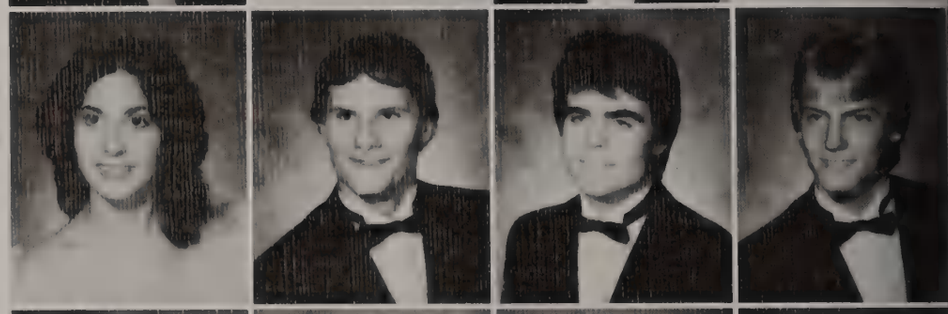
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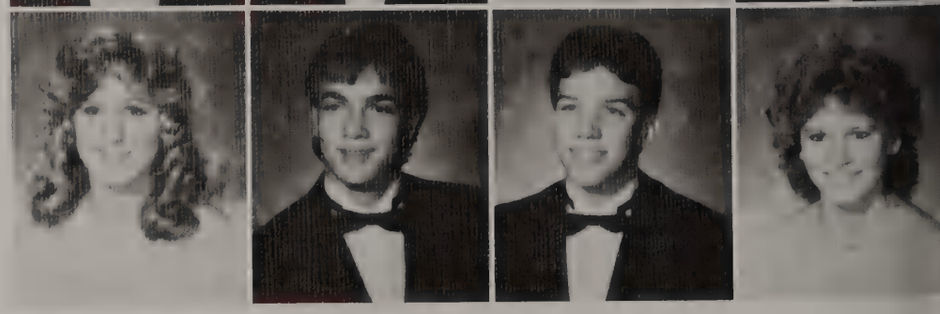
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Roger Miller
Jon Mills
Nicole Mitchell
Melissa Molina
Audrey Monroy



Bobby Montes
Monica Montoya
Daron Moore
Paul Morones
Laveta Morris



Bec issed her birth Mr. Ron Pardu o celebrate Mrs. n's Birthday with a anner, and wheelch



The brainstorm of Kristi Miller and Alison Orren was this baby gorilla, complete with a keeper that had a poem about the class.

Daily Laughs

Strange things happen behind classroom doors at NM, especially for birthdays.

Mrs. Carol McFarling's third period class hired a baby gorilla to entertain her on her birthday. While the gorilla amused everyone with its antics, including popping a confetti-filled balloon, the gorilla's keeper read a poem about the class.

About three weeks after that escapade, Mr. Ron Pardun asked the Pacesetter officers to help him celebrate Mrs. Ann Watson's birthday by paying her a visit with a banner and a wheelchair.



Principal John Campbell gives the seniors instructions at Baccalaureate rehearsal.

NM Seniors throw a

Baccalaureate Party

As the last days of school slowly came to a close, two formal rehearsals for seniors began — Baccalaureate and Graduation.

Baccalaureate rehearsal was held on Friday, May 24 during 2nd and 3rd period in the auditorium and Baccalaureate was held on Sunday, May 26, day before graduation, at 4:00 p.m. in the auditorium, which was part of preparing the seniors for the big night.

Though Baccalaureate seemed long, it did have its moments. On one occasion David Tolbert's cap slowly inched its way down his head and, eventually, to the floor.

On another, Kim Cowan and Cynthia Goode forgot their cords. There was also the unusual "cap fad," in which caps were pinned to the back of the head, and the traditional boy/girl seating arrangement.

One hectic moment for seniors was when caps and gowns arrived two hours before Baccalaureate was to start due to the Cowan and American Airlines strike.

"I was worried that they wouldn't be ironed because there would be no time to press and iron them," Edward Abarquez commented.

Though Baccalaureate did not seem as important as Graduation, some people felt that it was important to that class. Kayla Price said, "I thought Baccalaureate was important because it brought our graduating class together."

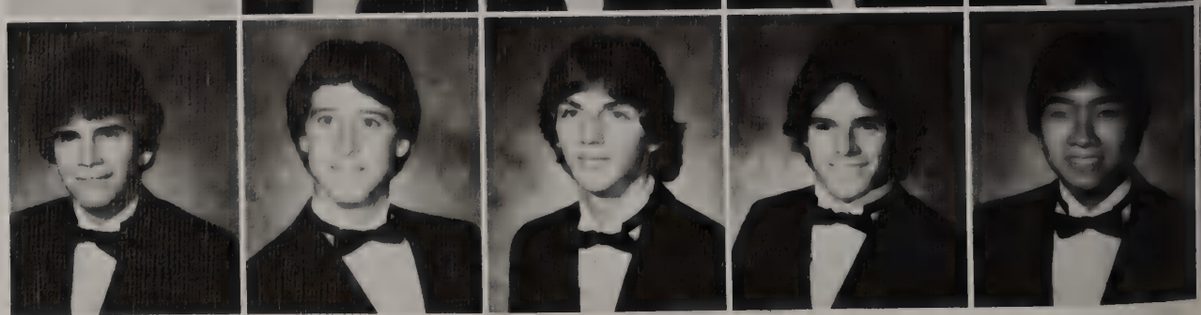
The seniors ***stand for the invocation at Baccalaureate rehearsal.***



Pam Morrow
Craig Murphy
David Myer
Paul Myers
Farhad Nayebkhyel



Brian Neece
Trevor Nelson
Mark Nester
Sloan Newman
Hung Nguyen





Julie Nichols
Tonja Nightingale
Patrick Nixon
Kimberly Nottingham



Steve Novakovich
Gina Oakley
Tammy Oakley
Timothy Ocnaschek



Jana Odom
Chuck Oliver
Kim Oliver
Erik O'Neal



Bruce Padon
Cindy Page
Amy Parker
Mary Parker



Ronda Paschal
Michelle Patrick
Leah Patterson
Sherrey Patton



Claudia Perez
Veronica Perez
Bonnie Perkins
Donna Person

Senior Stats

Craig Murphy (3/19/67) aerospace club; big blue; honors band; French club; NJHS; honor roll;
David Myer (1/19/68) NHS; German award; honor roll; speech club;
Trevor Nelson (6/1/67) FHA; FCA; Spanish club; frosh, jv, varsity football; track;
Mark Nester (11/25/66) calculus club; science club; junior class pres.; drum line; orchestra; Spanish club; big blue; honors band; symphonic band;
Hung Nguyen (7/18/67) big blue;
Julie Nichols (9/29/67) German club; concert choir; honors band; symphonic orchestra; FHA; FHA officer; PELE big blue marching band; flag corps; solo and ensemble (clarinet and voice);
Kimberly Nottingham (6/22/67) big blue; honors band; flag corps (lieutenant); jazz band; art club; Spanish club;
Steve Novakovich (6/8/67) national merit honorable mention; NHS; NJHS; big blue; honors band; symphonic band; honor roll; French club; academic decathlon;
Gina Oakley ( ) blue brigade; cross country; track; FHA; jv drill; FFA; Pacesetters; HECE;
Tammy Oakley (11-20-67) tennis; track; cross country; jv drill; FHA; NECE; FFA;
Timothy Ocnaschek (11/17/67) drama;
Jana Odom (4/4/67) FFA; blue brigade;
Kim Oliver (7/3/67) NHS; pacesetters; jv drill; blue brigade; Latin club (social chairman); big blue; choir; honor roll;
Cindy Page (11/13/66) big blue; FHA; HOCT; HOSA; symphonic band; concert band;
Amy Parker (7/17/67) aerospace club (treasurer); blue brigade;
Mark Parker (4/1/67) blue brigade; FHA; FTA; HECE;
Ronda Paschal (9/20/66) FHA (president); FTA; blue brigade; art club; Spanish club;
Michelle Patrick (7/17/67) blue brigade; art club; FHA; art club vice-president (2 yrs.);
Leah Patterson (10/21/66) frosh basketball; student council; FHA; jv drill; pacesetters; jv drill instructor;
Claudia Perez (9/16/66) Thespian; NHS; key club; Spanish club; tennis; volleyball; who's who in American high school students;
Bonnie Perkins (11/10/66) chorale; unity; all state choir; all area choir; all region choir; pacesetters; international thespian society; French club; frosa big blue; blue brigade;
Donna Person (5/1/67) big blue; head feature twirler; honors band; honors orchestra (public relations officer); chorale (chaplain); all region orchestra; all state orchestra; FCM (treasurer president); French club; thespians

Senior Stats

Darrell Petter
(12/7/66) FCA; FHA; frosh, JV, Varsity football; frosh track; powerlifting;
Chris Phelps
(12/18/66) FCA; FHA; frosh, jv, varsity basketball; Spanish club;
John Porter
(4/8/67) NJHS, frosh, jv, varsity football; French club; powerlifting
Stephanie Powers
(11/6/66) FHA; PELE, French club; blue brigade; student council;
Troy Pree
(3/17/67) ICT;
Kayla Price
(8/8/67) big blue (drum major); FCM (secretary); band sweetheart, NHS; NJHS; Spanish club; literary magazine staff; honors band; symphonic concert band; honor roll
Michael Price
(10/19/66) ICT; VICA; frosh football; track cross country;
Tracy Prigmore
(6/22/67) DE;
Angela Pritchard
(5/20/67) FHA; VOE/OEA; frosh, soph band;
Janna Pruett
(10/3/66) FHA; jv drill; pacesetter; French club; varsity boys basketball manager;
Tracey Ratliff
(10/26/66) DE; FHA; jv drill; ROTC;
Lisa Reed
(4/10/67) HOCT, Latin club; jv drill; big blue; varsity twirler; pacesetters;
Melinda Renner
(7/17/67) big blue chorale, accapella, concert choir;
Kelli Revennaugh
(11/15/66) NHS; FCA; Science club; frosh band; frosh, jv basketball; jv, Varsity tennis;
Stephanie Reynal
(2/27/67) jv swim team; Spanish club;
Wendi Rice
(7/22/67) FHA; big blue; honors; jazz, symphonic band; honors orchestra;
Dee Richards
(7/31/67) JV Drill; Pacesetters; Spanish Club
Kenneth Richardson
(1/22/67) Art Club, Pony Express; Big Blue; Honors Band; Latin Club; Symphonic Band; Concert Orchestra
Chris Ritzmuller
(11/17/66) Spanish Club; Science Club; Honor Roll
William Roberts
(7/13/67) Art Club
Woody Robinson
(4/22/67) Speech Club; Debate Team; Drama
Eva Robles
(5/19/67) FCA; Young Life; JV, varsity soccer; Jv, varsity volleyball
Michelle Rodgers
(7/13/67) Latin Club; VOE; FHA; FCA; varsity tennis
Chuck Rose
(11/17/66) FHA; Art Club; VICA; ICT



Darrell Petter
Chris Phelps
Hope Phillips
Steve Pittman



Dean Poor
John Porter
Stephanie Powers
Troy Pree



Kayla Price
Mike Price
Tracy Prigmore
Angela Pritchard



Janna Pructt
Brian Ransom
Tracey Ratliff
Lisa Reed



Delia Regalado
Dwight Reid
Melinda Renner
Kelli Revennaugh



Larry Reville
Stephanie Reynal
Pamela Rhodes
Wendi Rice

Spring Tour

On March 8, 1985, a roup of students and eachers from North Mesquite High School et out to discover urope — in eight ays.

Flying directly from FW airport, the trans-tlantic flight took early nine hours.

After arriving in ondon, England, the roup changed planes nd flew to Spain, here they stayed for ur days.

Then the adventurers ok a train to Paris, rance, where they iewed the various pectacular monuments nd museums of "The ity of Lights."

After two days in aris, the group took a oat across the English hannel and returned London for two days fore flying home to allas.

Not surprisingly, the ggest difference to any students was the od; both the presence American food and e lack of it.

Tracie Estill said, "Everything moves faster in Europe than it does in Texas. People walk faster, talk faster, and drive faster. But the thing that surprised me the most was that there were American food places in Europe."

Mechelle Marshall remarked, "The food was the worst, because it wasn't American. I was glad to get home and eat *real* food!"

Senior, Randy Trosper, summed up the trip by saying, "I had an excellent time and learned a lot more than I intended to. The Spanish were courteous and helpful.

The French were, well, French; that is to say, rude or intolerant and somewhat sleazy. I think we all had a good time in London and especially enjoyed the Hard Rock Cafe."



***World travelers** from North Mesquite view one of the many chateau of France.*

***Randy Trosper,** along with a Mesquite High student, Kathy Niles and Debbie Hardin, cross the English Channel.*





***Jennifer Avery,** tourist at the Hamlet of Marie Antoinette in the Gardens of Versailles.*

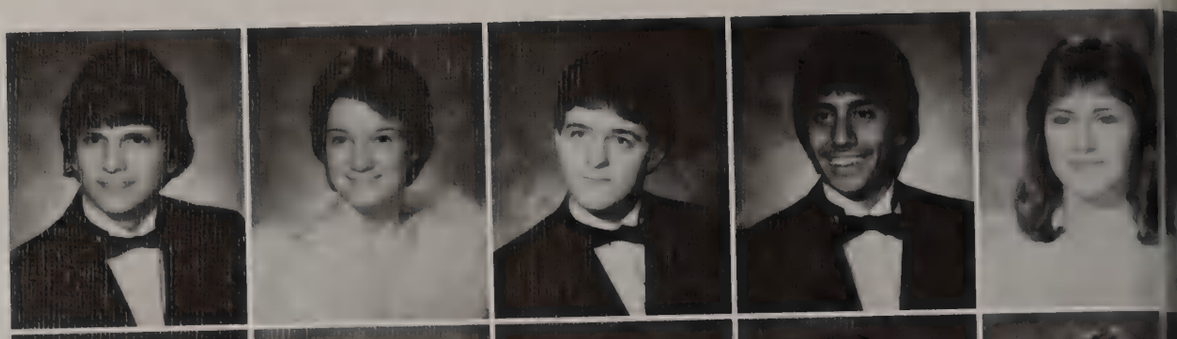


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Woody Robinson
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Daniel Rosales
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Patrick Santos
Teri Sarrett



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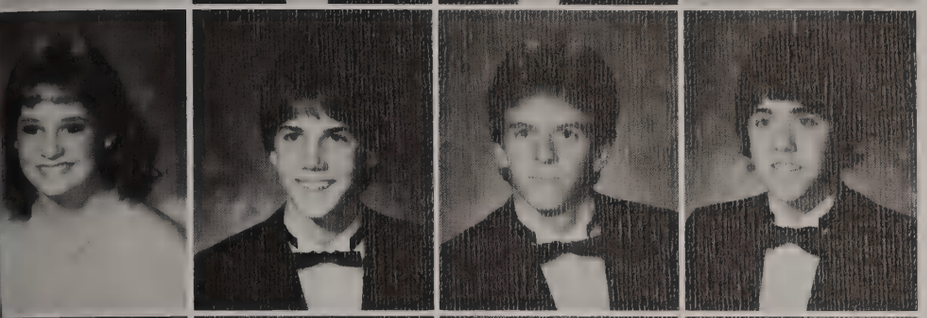
After Graduation,

Can Seniors Ever Forget. . .

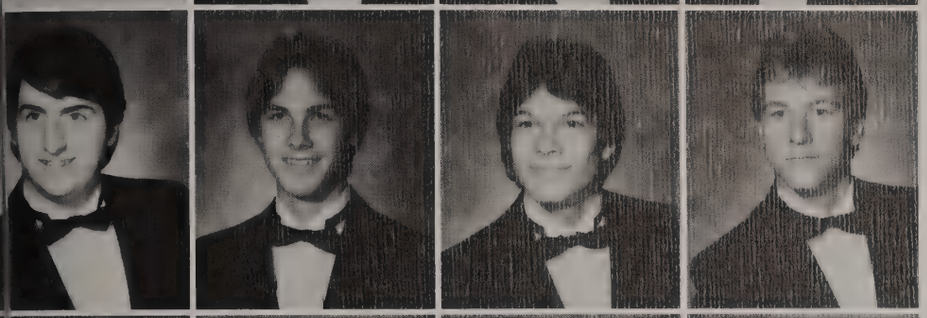
Ms. Martha Adcock's 100 question exams
Ms. Ada Allen's Accounting sessions
Ms. Linda Attaway's Jerry Hall Scrapbook
Mrs. Gloria Benavides' "El bano" pass
Mrs. Peggy Barnett's "Mr. Taylor, Line 1"
Mrs. Maggie Birdsong's Child development discussions
Mrs. Pannore Bloodworth's clocks
Mrs. Peggy Bowdoin's undying school spirit
Ms. Cathy Bradley's run-throughs
Mr. Ron Chauvin's sun shades
Coach Gary Childress' very productive football team
Coach Price Clifford's sunglasses-on-the-hair
Mr. Scott Coulson's "bout face!"
Coach James Brinkley's position as lunch line watcher
Mr. Ben Cross' ties
Mr. Rick Davis' "Risky Business" sunglasses
Mrs. Lavonne Dennis reading of *Beowulf*
Ms. Cora Dugan's 5+ paragraph essays
Mr. Don Duke's swats
Mrs. Ann Watson's 280ZX
Mrs. Raye Gibson's concern for her students
Mrs. Beth Hollingsworth's "easy" exams
Mrs. Linda Muhl's "Let's hear some spirit!"
Mr. Bob McCarty's optimistic lectures
Mr. Ray McFaul's Trigonometry lectures
Mrs. Barbara Perry's "notas orales"
Coach Ron Powell's gym floors
Mrs. Sammy Rusk's daughters Vanessa and Emily
Mr. Bill Scott's college hand- books
Mrs. Margaret Taylor's "1 . . . 2 . . . 3 . . . 4"
Mr. Ron Taylor's flourescent green tie
Mrs. Barbara Thomas' clipboard
Mr. Larry Wagliardo's computer programs
ROSS PEROT
Mr. John Kline's 22½" per step
Mr. Rob Towel's climbing of the tower
Mr. Ron Pardun's unexcused absences
Mr. John Campbell's thought for the day
7:30 pep rallies
Standstill stairwell crowds
Mile-Long lunch lines
Mandatory semester exams
Stallion-Skeeter rivalry
Stallion-Scott rivalry
The deciding "coin-toss"



Christina Sides
Steve Sillman
John Simmons
Connie Sims



Melissa Skaggs
Steve Skinner
Brian Sledge
Jeff Smith



Kelly Smith
Paul Snodgrass
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William Space



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Deeana Stanglin
Darla Stark



Chris Starr
Mary Starr
Donnie Stephens
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Julian Stewart
Bart Stiles
Gene Stokes
Eric Stone

Senior Stats

Donita Russell
(1-14-67) FHA; HECE;
Victor Salas
(9-27-66) HECE; HOSA; Spanish club; concert band; young life;
Patrick Santos
(9-9-66) Frosh, jv football; track; HOCT; FHA;
Donna Schindler
(6-19-66) HOSA; HOCT; FHA;
Rhonda Schreiber
(3-18-67) varsity tennis; blue brigade; Spanish club; thespian; OEA;
Melissa Scott
(8-3-67) jv drill; honor orchestra; state solo and ensemble; all region orchestra; blue brigade; French club;
Jill Semento
(4-16-67) OEA; FHA; French club band;
Kim Shindoll
(1-14-67) VICA; Spanish club; honor roll;
Jamie Shipman
(3-28-67) pacesetters; jv drill; instructor; blue brigade; concert acapella choir; chorale;
Robert Shugert
(3-3-67) auto painting and body; varsity swimming; Latin club; French club; German club; aerospace/aviation club
Christina Sides
(9-18-66) big blue band; freshman girls choir (secretary); FHA; (vice president); French club;
Steve Sillman
(6-14-67) Stallionaire; drum line; big blue band; thespian club; VICA;
John Simmons
(4-21-67) frosh football; big blue band; DECA (vice president); German club;
Connie Sims
(2-14-67) Spanish club; FHA;
Melissa Skaggs
(9-18-67) blue brigade; j.v. drill; pacesetters; French club; science club; basketball manager;
Steve Skinner
(7-24-67) frosh football; j.v. track; j.v. cross country; varsity track; varsity cross country; Spanish club; FCA;
Brian Sledge
(7-19-67) calculus club; academic decathalon; science club (president); freshman class president; math team; frosh and j.v. football; j.v. and varsity soccer;
Jeffrey Smith
(12-24-66) Football; baseball; VICA;
Kelly Smith
(3-8-67) thespians, chorale; unity; acapella choir;
Paul Snodgrass
(6-7-67) orchestra; art club; blue brigade; Latin club;
Bruce Shover
(1-19-67) frosh football; frosh basketball; j.v. and varsity soccer; calculus club; Spanish club; NHS;
Karen Stachowiak
(9-21-67) chorale; youth advisory club (president); French club; FCM FHA (president) NJHS; NHS;
Deeana Stanglin
(5-4-67) VOE-OEA; FHA; big blue band; symphonic orchestra; PELE; blue brigade;
Darla Stark
(8-22-67) j.v. drill; blue brigade; French club; FHA; FCA; young life DE;
Kathy Starr
(2-23-67) Latin club; French club; FHA; Science club
Donnie Stephens
(12-3-66) big blue band;
Montie Stewart
(6-21-67) speech club
Bart Stiles
(2-25-67) weightlifting; aerospace/aviation club
Eric Stone
(7-29-67) science club; spanish club; varsity baseball

Senior Stats

Brenda Stovall (2/10/67) Big Blue Band: Flag Corps — Lieutenant; Symphonic Band President; FHA; Spanish Club; FCM

Jeff Stover (10/12/66) ICT President; ICT Orchestra

Nandina Stutts (3/31/67) JV, Varsity Cheerleader; JV, Varsity Volleyball — Captain; Frosh' Volleyball; Homecoming Court Student Council Vice President, Spanish Club; Secretary of FCA.

Tammy Taber (3/9/67) State Honor Orchestra, All-Region Orchestra; Frosh, JV, Varsity Cheerleader; FHA Treasurer Student Council; NCA Semi-Finalist.

Penni Tankersley (3/6/67) Blue Brigade; YAC; Spanish Club, JV Drill; Young Life; Pacesetter Mgr.; FHA/HERO; OEA President.

Gregory Tapp (9/5/66) frosh, JV, Varsity football; FCA; FCA President; Spanish Club.

Renee Tarter (1/9/67) Spanish club.

Linda Taylor (12/14/66) NHS; NJHS; Honor Band; Flag Corps; B & Blue; Symphony Orchestra; Concert Choir.

Paul Teagle (8/15/66) frosh, JV, Varsity football, Varsity Track; Golf. NHS; Science Club. Freshman Class Favorite; FCA.

Sheri Teer (9/16/66) Cross Country Track; FHA.

Leena Thomas (9/20/66) French Club.

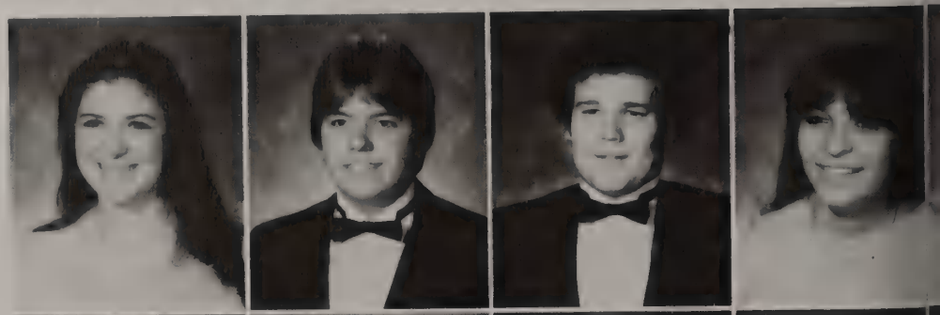
Mr. and Miss N.M.H.S.

Heath Bobo
Nanny Stutts

Senior Favorites

Mike Collins
Barrett Haberer





Brenda Stovall
Jeffrey Stover
Mike Stroney
Shannon Stryjak



Nandina Stutts
Tammy Taber
Sandra Tafur
Penni Tankersley



Best Choices

Chosen to represent the student body as Mr. and Miss NMHS were Heath Bobo and Nanny Stutts.

"I felt really excited and I thought it was a special honor. Your senior year is always great, but this has made mine extra special," Nanny said.

"It was an honor and a privilege to be able to represent my school as Mr. NMHS," Heath said.

During her four years at N.M. Nanny has been a J.V. and Varsity cheerleader, captain of the Volleyball team, secretary of F.C.A., Vice President of the Student Council and also a member of the Spanish Club. She is also on the Dillard's Teen Board. Nanny plans to attend Southwest Texas State University and major in Political Science.

Bobo has participated in F.C.A. and Football; he was also on the 'Silver Bullets' softball team. He is planning to attend Oklahoma University on a full four year football scholarship.

The senior class also chose two people to represent them as favorites. They were Barrett Haberer and Mike Collins.

"It makes me feel pretty good. I think it's a great honor," were Mike's comments on being chosen class favorite.

"It is a real honor to be thought of so highly by my classmates. I'm glad I could represent them in this way." Barrett said.

Mike was a member of Varsity Track, Varsity Baseball, Varsity Football and F.C.A. He is also on the 'Silver Bulletts' softball team. Mike will attend Southwest Texas State University and plans to play football. He is going to major in Business management or pre-law.

During the past four years Barrett has been involved in cheerleading, Student Council, N.H.S. President, F.H.A., and as a member of the Science Club.

She has also been a volunteer at Children's Medical Center and is active in Young Life and her church youth group. Barrett is planning to attend S.M.U. and majoring in Business Real Estate.



Gregory Tapp
Renee Tarter
Suzanne Tate
Lynda Taylor



Paul Teagle
Sheri Teer
Leena Thomas

Sheri Thompson
Jeffrey Thorp
Tim Thrasher
Krysla Threlkleld






Ha Tieu
MonCharles Tipay
Robert Tolbert





Students experience

Life at NM

Walking down the hall at North Mesquite High School, one can be reminded of books, choir rehearsals, long lunch lines, the mad rush in the parking lot, football games, science projects, early morning and after school practices, basketball games, game days, parties, spring break trip to Europe, office workers, term papers, and the rush after every bell that all make up the many facets of life at North Mesquite High School.

There are varieties of things that go on at North Mesquite. It takes all kinds of students to make our school be what it is right now. At North Mesquite, as long as there are students that enter the doorway, all of these things come to mind, because North Mesquite means more than coming to school just to study — it means a way of life for 2,500 students.

Most students spend more time in school than they do at home, making this just as important in many ways as family life.





Senior and Junior [illegible] contribute their share to the Powder Puff game.



***Jimmy Burnett** [illegible] typical day in [illegible] classroom.*






James Townsend
Julie Trammell
Mary Trespeces
Kyle Tribble






Randy Trosper
Trina True
Shannon Turner
Lisa Tyree



***Choir members** take a break from singing to have a laugh with friends.*





***rs. Peggy Barnett** is sy gain at writing early m als.*

***Mr. Ron Pardun** and Jena Locust pose for a picture on her last day of school.*

Senior Stats

Sheri Thompson (5/28/67)FHA; Blue Brigade, JV Drill; Pacesetter Lieut.
Jeffrey Thorp (4/4/67) ROTC; Rifle Team frosh football
Tim Thrasher (12/24/66) VICA; ICT; Stallion Battalion (Treas.)
Krysla Threlkeld Pacesetter JV Drill; Chorale; Acappella Choir; French Club, Thespian; NHS; Concert Choir
MonCharles Tipay (12-20-66) Big Blue; Drum Major; Student Council; French Club; Spanish Club
James Townsend (5-5-67) All Region Band, Big Blue; Honor Orchestra; Honors Band; Symphonic Band; Jazz Band; FOM (officer); Art Club
Mary Trespeces (4-17-67) Spanish Club; FHA
Randy Trosper (11-22-66) NHS VPO: Student Council; Academic Decathlon; National Merit Scholar; Science Club; French Club
Trina True (5-6-67) Big Blue; Journalism (I and II); THSPA; DE; HOCT; Honor Roll
Shannon Turner (3-12-67) NHS; NJHS; Pacesetters; JV drill; Blue Brigade; FHA; French Club; Orchestra
Lisa Tyree (4-19-67) Big Blue; NHS

Senior Stats

Kimberly Varner
(11-3-67) FHA; JV, pacesetters, Blue Brigade;
Billy Vaughan
(12/15/66) Big Blue; concert, symphony, honors band; intermediate; honor, all-region, Texas Honor Orchestra. Pony Express staff;
Mike Vestal
(7/15/66) NHS; Spanish, Calculus Club; varsity tennis; Young Life;
Stephanie Wade
(8/11/67) FHA; Blue Brigade; chorale, acapella, concert choir;
Sandy Walser
(11/13/66) FHA; JV; Blue Brigade; pacesetters;
Teresa Walters
(9/29/66) ECA; FHA; OEA; Young Life; Blue Brigade; Art Club;
Joe Ward
(7/6/67) varsity, JV, Frosh/football; 1st team all-district, DMN, DTH, all-metro.
Alan Warta
(1-18-67) Fresh, varsity, JV, football, FCA; Latin Club; varsity powerlifting; fresh orchestra;
Tammy Watkins
(6/10/67) HoCT; NSHS; NHS; Student Council; Spanish Club; JV, Fresh cheerleader;
Tracey Way
(10/4/67) varsity, JV, Fresh cheerleader; FCA; NHS (treasurer); Scence (secretary), Spanish (treasurer); speech club; Fresh, Soph class secretary; Student Council; Young Life;

NM Students Spring Into

Full Bloom

"Spring fever. An uncontrollable feeling that hits about April and lasts until school is out in May," explains Bonnie Perkins.

Sleeping in class, skipping school, forgetting to do homework, and receiving lower grades are only a few of the affects of the dreaded disease, spring fever.

"It takes a firm hold on people. It possesses them to do things they hadn't done since last spring and to not do things they had been doing all year," said Cathy Oper.

"It starts being nice outside, hot inside, and schoolwork looks far less inviting than it did in the ugly winter when there wasn't that much to do," said Jon Mills. This is the cause for many students to catch the unhealthy disease.

Another fatal disease is senioritis. It's a disease occuring among high school seniors who are sick of being trapped in a so called "jail" for four years.

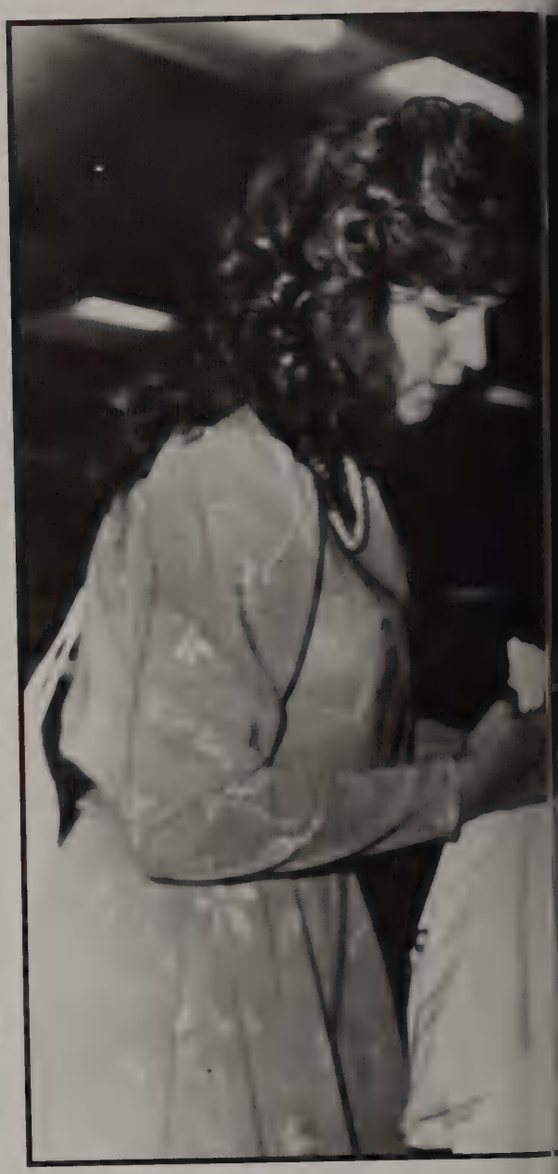
This disease can occur as early as ones junior year or as late as the last week of school.

As John Gilbert said, "Senioritis is a deadly plague that hits all seniors and a family doctor should be seen.

The symptoms are easily noticed: laughing in the face of your term paper, blowing off classes, and gazing out the window during class day dreaming about White Water."

Vonna Thornburgh confessed, "I think that senioritis is more wide spread because all the seniors and most of the juniors have it. There is a mixed feeling of wanting to be out in the big world, but yet not wanting to leave your friends."

Both spring fever and senioritis creep, slowly but surely, into every student, eating away at his minds.



***Picking up** her invitations, April McLemore only furthers her senioritis.*



Charles Vanderford
Kimberly Varner
Billy Vaughn
Mike Vestal



Stephanie Wade
Staci Wake
Sandy Walker
Teresa Walters

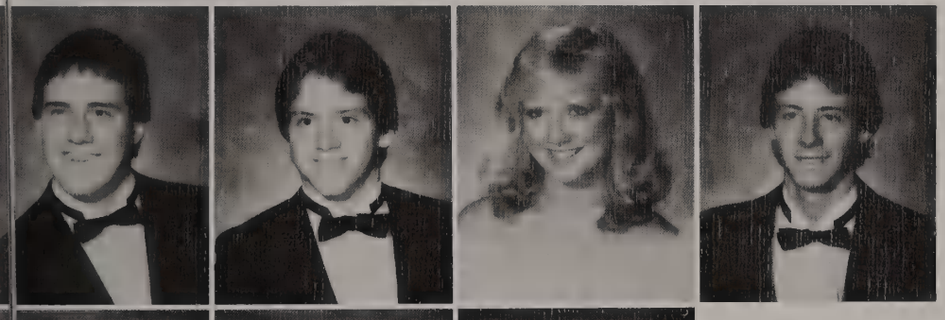




***The varsity** football team suffers through a tough spring training.*

***Relaxing, Grant** Richardson takes a short nap in the fresh spring air.*





Phillip Ward
Alan Warta
Tammy Watkins
James Watson



Tod Watson
Larry Watwood
Tracey Way

Amy Weatherby
Christie Webb
Joel Weeks
Bettie Wesson



Donald Wilcox
Anita Williams
Kristy Williams



When the Class
of '85 Graduates,

What Will NM Do Without . . .

Mark Nester's brief case
The Bird at the football games
Brian Sledge's radical attire
Mike Collins' cheerleader uniform
Randy Trosper's Legion of Doom Fan Club T-shirt
Larry "Weasel" Holland's sunglasses
Darrell Petter's weightlifting T-shirts
Susie Harmon's continuous laughing
Chris Rittmuller's "Greek Boy" look
Cynthia Goode's Vanessa Williams Fan Club
Sheri Thompson's barrettes
Tommy Hubacek's perfect French
Robert Babb's James Bond expression
Steve Novakovich's Q-beam
Charles Mayne and Gary Colwill's naps in English
Michelle Mehegan's complex vocabulary sentences
Nanny Stutts and Amy Ashmore's smiles
Debbie Burchfield and her Mickey Mouse
Richard Gotthardt's sarcasm
Janie Gray's brains
The Silver Bullets softball team
Jason Mays' and Shaun Kessler's cowboy boots
Craig Murphy and Moncharles Tipay's method of eating jello
Jamie Shipman's singing voice
Eric Stone's pitching
Paul Teagle's record-breaking field goals
Edward Abarquez and Sherry Blue's club for "FOXES ONLY"
Cindy Killian's giggling with Kayla Price
Kristen Crockett's buger jokes
Lisa Blevin's original poems in English
Wayne McKee's tie-dyed tennis shoes
Kernie Brashier's bull
Lynette Coneley's suntan
Stephanie Reynal's corn rows
Mike Vestal's 14 outfits at the stage show
Steve Kauitzsch's starched collars
Krysla Threlkeld's fake fingernails
Dee Richards' purple hair
Priscilla Martin's Cleopatra haircut
Felix Foster's bright orange camouflage pants
Barrett Haberer's college sweat shirts
Kelli Revennaugh's sense of humor
Karen Graham's ultra-chic wardrobe
Bobby Montes' speeding tickets
Kelly McPherson's unshaven look
Matt Kinkeade's Tina Turner wig
Leslie Langford's pictures of herself
Mike Hoyt's colorful Hawaiian outfits

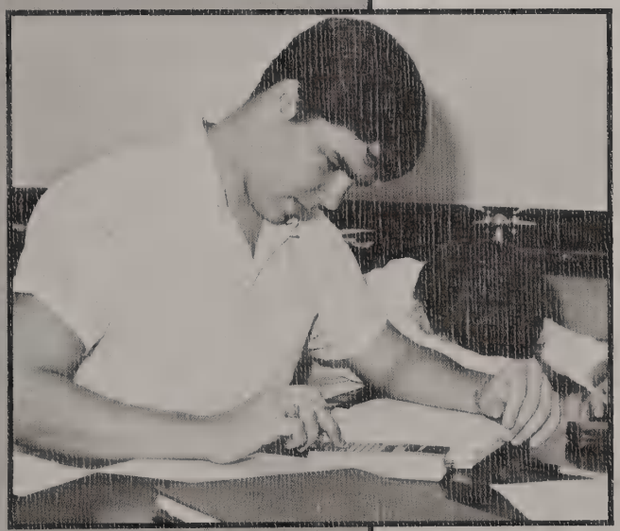


Michelle Williams
Karen Wilson
Pam Wilson
Brad Winkfein

Mark Wood
Suzanne Wright
Chris Youman
James Zumbrun



***Barrett Haberer** models one of her many college sweatshirts she is known for at a NHS meeting.*



***After Steve Novakovich** gives up and takes a nap, Robbie Babb challenges the scientific problem with the help of his secret weapon — the calculator.*

Senior Stats

Christie Webb (7-23-67) Blue Brigade, French Club, F.C.M., Symphonic Orchestra Honor Orchestra
Joel Weeks (10-5-66) Varsity Football frosh, JV basketball, Spanish Club, FCA
Bettie Wesson (11-9-66) Blue Brigade, Art Club FHA (Vice Pres.) FCA: HECE; Latin Club
Donald Wilcox (1-27-67)Frosh Basketball, Spanish club varsity track, cross country track, VICA
Anita Williams (6-27-67) FHA; Latin club, speech club, blue brigade,
Kristy Williams (2-2-67) JV, varsity captain volleyball Volleyball district 1st team FCA (vice pres.) National Honor Society, Spanish club, science club FHA
Michelle Williams (9-11-67) Spanish club, FHA DE
Karen Wilson (6-13-67) concert choir FHA, varsity basketball, PELE
Pam Wilson (7-26-67) DECA
Brad Winkfein (9-30-66) JV football, FHA
Mark Wood (11-21-66) Spanish club, Stallion Battalion (Pres.), Calculus club, whiz quiz, Academic Excellence Award, All Year Honor Roll
Suzanne Wright (1-12-67) Pacesetters (Lt.) JV drill, FHA, JV soccer, Blue brigade, Big Blue Band
James Zumbrun (3-6-67) Frosh, Varsity Track, DE, FHA (Pres.)



***Who says Valedictorians** never study? Randy Trosper hits the books preparing for his Biology Exam.*

As top two in graduating, Richard and Randy are

Reaching High

Can you imagine being number one or two out of four-hundred and ninety-six graduating seniors?

Although neither Randy Trosper nor Richard Gotthardt really planned it that way, those are the positions they have attained in, the graduating class of 1985.

Salutatorian Richard Gotthardt is also President of the Latin Club, a member of the National Honor Society, and Whiz Quiz Team Captain.

Although Richard admits to placing pressure on himself to achieve, "... too much at times," he concedes that he really does not spend a great deal of time studying. "If I had to spend hours and hours to achieve what I have, I'm sure I wouldn't have done it. There is plenty of time to be serious later." However, Richard does appear to have some 'serious' plans for post-graduation life. Planning to attend either SMU or ASU, Richard hopes to then go on to law school and become an attorney. As to after that, Richard says, "... I'm really not sure. I want to have a full and fulfilled life and not become stale. Change is necessary, but some stability is also helpful. It's all in the future and I don't want to plan too far ahead right now."

Valedictorian Randy Trosper admits to poor study habits, putting things off in favor of going out and living his own life. Close to getting his private pilot's license, Randy has also "..tried with questionable degrees of success.." just about every sport there is, his favorites being swimming, fishing, and basketball.

Although Randy feels privileged to represent his classmates as Valedictorian, his is bothered by the fact that there are others who deserve the position as much as he does, yet do not receive the recognition they deserve.

Randy also believes in a good deal of communication between students and administrators and teachers. "People need to know what is expected of them, but, more importantly, why that is expected of them.

Every legitimate question deserves a legitimate answer. We are Americans and we are proud of the freedom we uphold.



***"Now what** are you ing to tell me?", inqu Salutatorian, Richa Gotthardt.*



Randy Trosper
John Gotthardt
Sheila Mehegan
Elizabeth Haley
Deanna Gray

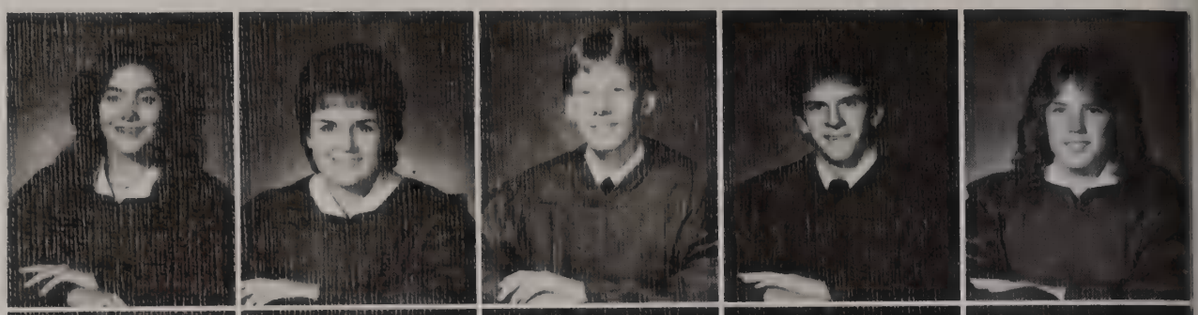
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Wendie Carver
Daron Moore
Lisa Blevins
Mike Vestal

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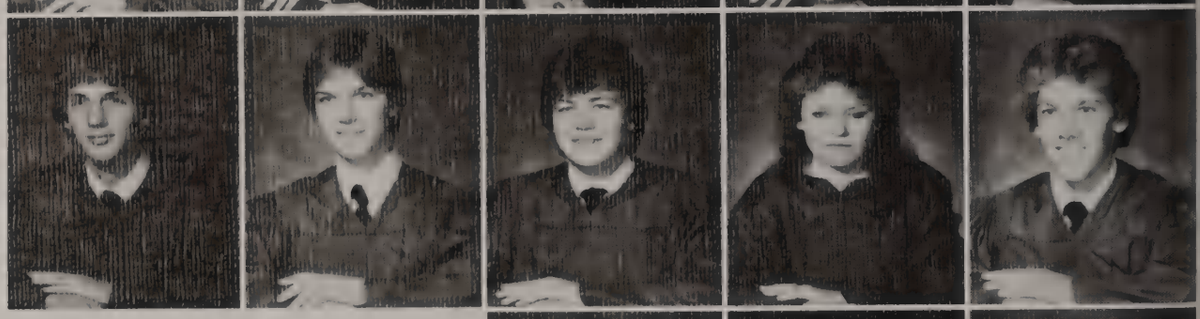
Kayla Price
Sherry Blue
Jennifer Leggett
Kimberly Oliver
Steve Kauitzsch



David Myer
Christina Sides
Craig Murphy
Claudia Perez
Tracey Way



Mark Nester
Scott Aldrich
Steve Davis
Michaela Hall
Brian Costa



Paul Cannaday
Chris Rittmuller
Belinda Garza



Scholarships

Sharon Ellis — Jr. Achievement — $500
Penni Tankersley — ADK Beta Zeta Chapter — $300
Lou Ann McKenzie — Mesquite Education Secretaries and Aides Association — $250
Dena Farnsworth — Jr. Women's Study Club — $500
Phyllis Miller — Jr. Women's Study Club — $500
Michelle Mehegan — National Merit Scholarship
Richard Gotthardt — Elks Club — $1000
Elizabeth Haley — Institute of Food Technologies — $150
Melanie Guy — Texas Tech University — $400
Kayla Price — East Texas State University — $500
Karen Graham — MEA — $300
Leila Ghafur — Jr. Women's Study Club — $500; MEA — $300
John Edwards — J. C. Cannaday — $500; Rotary Club — $1000
Tracey Way — Miss Mesquite/Chamber of Commerce — $1000
Karen Graham — Total of $5,650 to attend Southern Methodist University
Steve Novakovich — Northwestern University — $7000
David Myer — Group J Ministries — $2,500
Mike Hoyt — Univ. of Texas at Austin Ex Alumni Association — $500
Cynthia Goode — Univ. of Texas at Austin — $1,500 a year

Departmental Awards

Art — Grant Richardson
Boys Athletics — Mike Collins
Band — Jo Della King
Business — Kayla Price
Choir — Sharon Carter
Co-operative Education:
VOE — Penni Tankersley
HECE — Leila Ghafur
HOCT — Debbie Donaldson
Theater Arts — Kelly Smith
English — Mechelle Mehegan
French — Tommy Hubacek
German — Linda Wells
Girls Athletics — Gina Oakley
Home Economics — Linda Gray
Industrial Arts — John Porter
Journalism — Dena Farnsworth
Math — Christine Edwards
Latin — Karen Graham
Orchestra — Donna Person
Salutatorian — Richard Gotthardt
Social Studies — Cynthia Goode
Science — Ellen Carrol and Donnie Aga
Spanish — Robert Babb
Speech — David Hurst
Valedictorian — Randy Trosper
Vocational — Paul Bradbury
Yearbook Staff — Edward Abarquez

After Years of Hard Labor, Seniors Receive Their,

Just Desserts



***Edward Abarquez**, recipient of the Yearbook Staff award proudly receives his diploma.*

President
Bill Morris

Vice-President
Shirley Farris

Secretary
Sherry Baldwin



Amanda Abbott
Robert Adams
Christy Adcock
Donnie Aga
Ronnie Aga
Scott Ahrens
Salisa Allen
Michelle Almond

Steve Almond
Jennifer Amlaw
Derinda Armstrong
Penny Armstrong
Wayne Arnold
Kim Arriago
Dennis Atkins
Dondi Atkins

Perry Ashworth
Michael Austin
Jennifer Avery
Tracy Avorrell
Billy Bainmister
Sherry Baldwin
Jeff Bangs
Latrinia Banks

Trenia Banks
James Barboza
Joe Barham
Mike Barker
Shannon Barnes
Andy Barton
Richard Beach
Tamatha Bean

Raymond Becenry
Andre Bell
Todd Bell
Stephen Bellew
Diana Benavidez
Lori Bennett
Michelle Bentley
Andy Bill





Oper works on a
up on the Pony Express

Almost to the Top

"I was very pleased that my classmates chose me to represent them as class officer," said Bill Morris, junior class president.

Bill hopes the prom that the Junior class officers and the prom committee are planning will be a big success.

"We've all worked so hard to make it a fun night for everyone," added Bill.

"I was somewhat excited when they announced that I had been chosen, and I also felt extremely honored that my classmates chose me to represent them," commented Shirley Farris, vice-president of the junior class.

Shirley said that the junior class is friendly and that they really communicate with each other.

"I feel it is quite an honor that I was chosen as an officer. I have always wanted to get more involved in school activities and being voted class secretary has given me this opportunity," remarked Class Secretary Sherry Baldwin.

> "We try to help in any way we can."
>
> — Shirley Farris

Along with the other duties of being a class officer, the Junior class officers are in charge of planning the Junior-Senior Prom.

In order to lower the cost of the prom for the students, the prom committee, headed by the Jr. officers, sold spirit mugs and sponsored a Junior and Senior Powder-Puff Football game.



Ginger Blackstone
Jimmy Blair
Susan Blaylock
Mike Bohn
Scott Bolton
Mark Bowman
Lauren Bradbury
Becky Bradford

Jerry Brest
Robby Brewer
Tisha Brink
Lisa Broome
Andrew Brown
Monti Brown
Kimberly Bryant
William Buckley

Keith Bullard
David Bunger
David Burgan
Sandra Burkheimer
Sherri Busby
Brent Bussey
Dwayne Butler
Pam Butler

Sherrie Byrum
Tricia Caraway
Cesar Cardenas
Tracy Carnue
Ellen Carroll
Teri Carter
Sammy Carter
Wendy Casey

Kim Cason
Paul Cast
Elizabeth Castile
Mark Chambers
Mark Chennault
Mike Chennault
Melissa Clark
Leigh Anne Clements

Junior Favorites

The Junior class chose Troy Crawford and Misty Martin to represent them as class favorites.

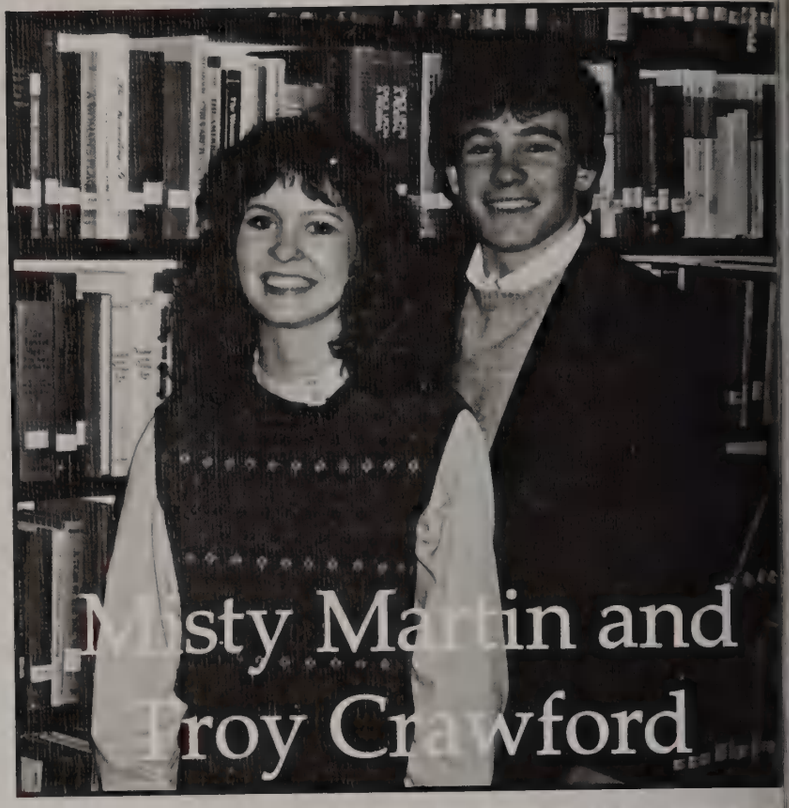
"I felt it was an honor to be elected by my classmates," Troy said.

Troy is a member of the National Honor Society, Young Life, Varsity football and Track and was a coach in the Junior-Senior Powder Puff game. He plans to major in mathematics at the University of Oklahoma.

"It really was a great honor and I was excited and surprised that I was chosen," said Misty.

Misty is a member of the Joske's Teenboard and studies ballet and Jazz under Texi Waterman. She is also a Pacesetter, Student Council member and served on the Prom Committee.

Misty said she plans on attending Eastfield for one year and then going on to U.T. Austin to major in Psychology and minor in dance.



Misty Martin and Troy Crawford



***Misty pauses** from her typing to smile for camera.*



***On his way** to football practice Troy stops by his locker.*

Rodney Chapin
Janet Clements
Robert Clouse
Monty Clowers
Keith Collins
Stefanie Collins
Shelley Combs
Kim Contreras



Geoff Cook
Pete Copin
Carrie Cortez
Theresa Cothran
Donald Cott
Troy Crawford
Susan Crowley
Ronda Cuff



Cindy Culpepper
Sammy Cummings
Tracey Daniel
Suzanne Doughty
Tara Daves
Kelly Davis
Scot Davis
Stephanie Davis



Tara Davis
Wendy Davis
Courtney Deal
Debra Decker
Brian Denton
Susan Dixon
James DeLay
Cynthia Dennis

Angelia Denny
Sandra Derrick
Delayne Dona
Tami Dooley
Janeen Doolin
Albert Doty
Scott Dove
Dawn Drasny

Charles DuBose
Robbie Duck
James Dumerer
Laretta Ann Eagle
Vicki Eardley
Shelley Easley
Michelle Eddy
Cheri Edmundson

Kevin Edwards
Randy Edwards
Betsy Elder
Kevin Elliot
Tomra Eltrich
Kevin Elwell
Tracie Estill
Danny Eudy

Darrel Evans
Stacie Evans
Debra Everett
Tim Ewton
Brain Fahey
Avery Falk
Glenn Farley
Jan Farmer

Shelley Farris
Shirley Farris
Jeff Feinglas
Jim Fellers
James Fenstermacher
Cindy Ferguson
Ryan Finch
Kathy Fisher

Belinda Flores
Carl Flores
Kim Floyd
Ross Foster
Scott Foster
Steven Franks
Eric Frichette
Classie Friddle

Sherilyn Fristoe
Julie Fuller
Ilynn Furman
Debbie Fyffe
Le Gailia Garber
Cathy Garcia
Dena Garcia
David Gardner

Tabby Gardner
Angie Garrison
Donna Garrison
J. J. Garza
Sean Gassman
Melinda Gatlin
Scott Gentry
Clark Giddens

James Giddens
Tim Glenn
Cindy Goode
Amy Goodell
Emily Goode
Jeff Gouge
Michael Graham
Tracey Greer

John Griffin
Rebecca Griffith
Kimberly Grimes
Greg Grubbs
Amy Haeussler
David Hagar
Andrea Hall
William Hall
Chris Hallman
Eilliam Hanby
Micaael Hammar
Lannette Harbour
Debbie Hardin
Stefanie Hargrave
Less Harmon
Cherry Harper



Ambitious Juniors Get a

Head Start

There's a small group of eleventh-graders that won't be among next year's seniors at graduation. Instead they will already be experiencing college and other aspects of life after high school.

Deana Starkey, Tisha Brink, Jon Mills, Suzon Reese, and David Myer are among a group of juniors that, in three years, accomplished what the remainder of the class of 563 students will achieve in four. Each of the graduation juniors had his or her own reason for leaving high school early, but a dissatisfaction with the limits high school education was a major factor.

In order to graduate early, students had to attend summer school to meet requirements such as English and government. Zero-period classes were also necessary to accumulate enough credits.

Jon Mills offered his views on graduating early. "I think graduating early is a wise decision if a person is not benefiting from high school and wants to get on with higher education."



David Myer discusses his graduation plans with Mrs. Sue Braden, junior counselor.

Cassandra Harris
Kelli Harris
Missy Harris
Tammy Harris
Christi Hart
Cheryl Hartman
Richard Harwell
Vickie Harwerth

Joe Hatfield
Annette Hawkins
Starla Hawkins
Connell Hayden
Chana Haynes
Phillip Hearn
Denise Heath

Bill Hefner
Greg Hernandez
Christi Hill
Lisa Hiser
Randy Hitt
Kim Hogan
Jim Holley
Sybee Holland





Stacy Holt
Wayne Hopkins
Kathy Horton
Kyle Houpt
Andrea Hudson
Donaven Hudson
Becky Hughes
Susan Hutte
Mark Hunstable
Kim Hunt
Paul Hunter
Erick Hurst
Johny Hutchins
Jacqueline Jackson
Scott Jackson
Arif Jaffer



Jon Mills *and Tisha Brink help each other study for tests.*

Counselor Sue Braden *reviews college entrance requirements with Jon Mills*





Terri Jakubowski
Mark Jasek
Andy Jeffers
Jimmy Jenkins
Anitha John
Beckie Johnson
Greg Johnson
Jennifer Johnson
Melody Johnson
Christie Johnson
Angela Jones
Brad Jones
Cheryl Jones
Donna Jones
Mark Jordan
Troy Jordan
Jody Kane
Kristi Karr
Frank Kassela
Jan Kearney
Lisa Kellehan
Brad Kelly
Denise Kennedy
Lance Key

Damon Keyara
Amy Kilpatrick
Bryan King
Jeff King
Kandi Kingrey
Carolyn Kinman
Tom Kirchmeyer
Paul Kirk

Lisa Klement
Connie Knox
Kevin Koerner
Susan Kraps
Craig Kuykendall
Angela Kuykendall
Cindy Lamb
Donnie Lancaster

Ronnie Landis
Carrie Laughlin
Matt Laurence
Kim Lawrence
Randy Laxson
Rene Lebi
Jimmy Lee
Suzanne Lee

Jeff Leisure
Rhonda Lemons
Linda Leonard
Matt Leslie
Teresa Lester
Brandon Lewis
Michelle Lewis
Kim Little





Vickie Paugh *takes a break from her reading as she remembers her most embarrassing moment.*



Sean Self *displays the pants that ripped during wood shop one day.*



Micheal Logan
Lisa Lott
Mike Loven
Julie Luciani
Tracy Lunsford
Karen Lynch
Ron Lyons
Charlotte Mahler

Tommy Malin
Johnny Malmquist
Michelle Malone
Pete Manicchisa
Felicia Manle
Marty Maples
David Marrel
Mechelle Marshall

Patrick Marshall
Lisa Martin
Misty Martin
Leticia Martinez
Asadulla John Masad
Suma Mathews
Windy Matthiessen
Sandy Maxvill

Heather Mayfield
Felicia Means
Sandra Mendoza
Debbie Mercer
Rosy Merano
Brad Merritt
Kirk Mexia
Mike Middlebrook



In a Revealing Exposition, Students Tell Why They Say,

'I Could Have Died'

"When I was four years old, I was playing on the phone and the operator answered. I told her to call the police because I had just shot my brother.

The police came and the fire department, too. I hid under the bed and the police searched every room and finally found me. My parents were hysterical because they knew nothing about my call.

My brother was also hiding and then they thought something really was wrong. The police talked to us and calmed everyone down. I was scared he was going to take me to jail so I ran away, but the police followed me, bought me a coke, and brought me home."
— Vickie Paugh

"My most embarrassing moment was the first day of my freshman year. It was fourth period and I was in the lunch line. I had made plans to sit with a guy that lives across the street from me and some of his friends. What was bad was that they were all sophomores and juniors. Anyway, I got up to the cashier and handed her my money. When she handed me my change she dropped two pennies and offered to pick them up. I told her to forget them because I wouldn't really miss two cents. She went ahead and bent over to pick them up. As I started to walk off, she stood up and my food and the tray went everywhere. Then as I stood there I heard the whole lunch room cry out, *'FRESHMAN'!"*
— Shawn Kesler

"I was in shop, and when I bent over my Ocean Pacific pants ripped almost all the way around. Luckily, nobody noticed my pants, but they did notice that my face was red. Every time I moved my pants would rip some more. I told my teacher and, with a chuckle, he said, 'go to the office'. (I found out later that he told the whole class after I left.) I was glad I had on a clean pair of shorts."
— Sean Self

"When I was a junior, I was playing varsity basketball at home in front of a very large crowd as well as cable T.V. That particular day I wore red striped underwear to school. Without thinking, I got dressed for the game in our white home uniform. I didn't realize that my underwear would show right through my shorts. When we were about to run onto the court one of our managers noticed that my underwear was visible through my shorts. There was nothing I could do because the game was about to start. I was just hoping that cable would not pick up my underwear, but to no avail — it showed up. The next day I received a phone call telling me how cute my red striped underwear was."
— Pam Hiller

Students at NM Give
of Their Time to Produce a

Valuable Work Force

There is a valuable work force at N.M. serving the students each day for no pay. "I think I am helping people that may need a little extra help," Melissa Morris explained.

The volunteer workers involved work in the library, office, clinic, and counselors office with no grade points or credit. "The type of work I do could help me in the future to get a good paying job," Melissa said.



***Richard Pearson** looks up students' schedules in order to send out pink slips.*

***Shawn Kelser** chats with counselor Bill Scott before getting back to business.*





***Filling teachers'** boxes with notices and schedules is part of Micheal Johnson's job.*



***Sherry Hurton** fills out the absentee sheets for Mrs. Peggy Barnett.*



Deborah Miller
Tomarie Miller
Jon Mills
Bart Mitchell
Kellie Molina
Rick Monk
Lisa Mora

Cathy Morgan
Anne Morris
Bill Morris
John Morris
Kim Morris
Tommy Morton
Luann Mullis

Andy Murdock
Doug Murdock
Joey Murphy
Andy Murray
David Myer
Kristy Myers
Tonya Myers

Zack Myers
Bill Myrdahl
David McAllister
Amy McCarter
Ron McCarty
Cynthia McCollum
Lynda McCollon

Randy McCormick
David McCoy
Kendra McCurry
Tracy McCurry
Charla McDill
Becky McElyea
Melissa McFadden

Cathy McGee
Valerie McKee
Troy McKenzie
Troy McQueen
Chuck McRae
Gregg Napier
Rashya Nathan

Karen Newman
Lisa Nicely
Kathy Niles
Kathy Norfleet
Lynice Norlock
Greg Norton
Cathy Oper

Adam Otero
Brent Pace
Tony Pacho
Debbie Parker
Jan Packer
Ladonna Patterson
Lisa Patterson

Vickie Paugh
Shannon Paul
Chad Pearson
Patrick Pearson
Richard Pearson
Russell Pedri
Sylvia Perez

Melissa Perkins
Christine Peshehonoff
Daniel Peters
Shawn Peterson
Denise Petty
Ed Petty
Tony Petty

Cassie Phillips
David Phillips
Hope Phillips
Kristel Phillips
Ciro Piccola
Tracy Pitts
Danny Plumer

Wendy Plumer
Lonnie Pollard
Jacob Porse
Kerri Porter
Terri Porter
Tony Potter
Waylon Potter

Cindy Power
Debbie Prater
Klent Preuitt
Dana Pruitt
Daniel Prepo
Kris Pyle
Debbie Quillin

Mabel Raburn
Cindy Raitt
Sandy Rankin
Brian Reasor
Glenn Reasor
Rodney Reese
Suzon Reece

Carolyn Reed
David Reed
Mike Reed
Elke Reichel
Michael Reyes
Sean Reyes
Misty Rhodes

Tracy Rhodes
Lisa Rich
Paige Rich
Stephanie Riedner
Maria Rittmuller
Steven Ritzer
Shana Roark

John Robbins
Melody Roberts
Patcharee Roberts
Vincent Roberts
Kelli Robertson
Marye Robertson
Aaron Robinson

Cindy Robinson
Barbara Rojas
Jeane Roussel
Keith Rowan
Kimberly Russell
Connie Sales
Kelly Salley

Cindy Sanders
Laura Schmerber
Eddie Schmidt
John Scott
Mark Scott
Jerry Sebastian
Kirk Shaw

Michelle Shero
Marah Shipley
Michael Shirah
Michelle Simmons
Mike Simmons
Todd Simmons
Darrell Sims





***Michelle Kirkpatrick** has just one more glance in the mirror before she's off for the prom.*

Juniors and Seniors Make Plans to Attend the Prom and Line Up for Their

Early Dismissals

At 12:15 a.m., students were lined-up all the way around C-floor to get their early dismissals. Students waited patiently in line twiddling their thumbs and twirling their hair. Those that were to attend the prom were to have signed notes from their parents giving them permission to leave campus to prepare for the prom. "I don't know why we're not having it on a Saturday night, then we would have all day to get ready. I don't know if I'll have enough time if I start getting ready at 12:30," says Greg Tapp. Once students got their notes approved and their names checked off of the guest list, they were free to go.

Spilled bottles of make-up, a few bobby pins, combs thrown here and there, scattered tubes of lipstick, wadded-up ribbons, smashed baby's breath, bottles of fingernail polish, smeared tissues, spilled powder, eyeshadow palettes, and toppled perfume bottles are what the typical teenage girl's dresser looks like when she leaves for the prom.

While the boy's dresser consists of tuxedo receipts, empty bottles of cologne, hairbrushes, cans of hairspray, and empty film boxes.

"How you get to the prom is just as important as going to the prom itself," says one student. Limousines, Porsches, Cadillacs, and Fieros arrived at front doors, ready and waiting for the couples attending the prom.

Then it's picture-time for parents. Posing this way and that way, standing up and sitting down, and just when it seems to be over —



***Greg Tapp** examines his tuxedo before taking it home.*



***Michelle Kirkpatrick** looks over her prom dress.*

Kirk Sipes
Scotty Sitzman
Sue Skelton
Joey Sloan
Craig Smethie
Audra Smith
Cathy Smith
Facob Smith
Mary Smith

Sandi Smith
Wade Smith
Kay Southern
Trent Speaker
Barton Spivey
Diane Spruill
Joey Srader
Chris Starr
Angie Stegall

Todd Stephens
Lorna Stewart
Tracy Stewart
Lisa St. John
Jamie Stone
William Stone
Eric Stovall
Kristy Sumner
Tony Sunevaer

Kenny Surndle
Scott Talmage
Marit Tangen
Sherri Tant
Chris Taylor
Sherry Taylor
Marian Temple
Chris Terry
Vonna Thornburgh

Long Tieu
Bryan Tomes
Randal Torrence
Charlie Torres
Jim Trulock
John Turner
Cami Turner
Debbie Valera
Lisa VanBriggle

Kelly VanLehn
Lisa Vestal
Bud Videan
Eric Wade
Kenneth Waits
Caronell Walker
Michelle Wall
Ben Warner
Mike Wasserman

Marvin Waters
Deborah Watkins
Pam Watkins
Angela Watson
Steve Weger
Linda Wells
Steve Welsh
Jimmy White
Laura Whisman

Stacy Whitton
Larry Whitworth
Dale Wilkins
Ann Williams
Joe Williams
Lance Williams
Lee Ann Williams
Trice Williams
Liann Williamson

Wendy Wills
Mike Wilson
Steve Wilson
Elizabeth Wingler
Russell Winslow
Marcy Wojlkiak
Crystal Wolf
Tim Wolf
Sheila Wood

Tracy Wren
Billy Wright
Marla Wycoff
Chris Wycough
Zell Yates
Donna York
Stephanie Zimmerman



No Cheap Brass

What's gold or silver, spherical shaped with a jewel on top, and usually not yours? Naturally, a class ring. To many sophomores, a class ring symbolizes the end of their underclassman years and the beginning of their upperclassman days.

"I bought one to let everyone know that I go to North Mesquite. And when I graduate, I can look at the ring and remember the good times." said Laura Lancaster. But to others, a ring simply means that they "belong" to someone.

Ring sales began May 9 and 10 in the foyer of the auditorium. The type of rings displayed in the trophy case gave students a chance to choose which style ring they preferred.

Different rings available were the women's miniature, petite, and "after five" rings, and the men's regular and the favorite, men's jumbo. Along with the various ring styles were the various prices, which ranged from $60 to over $225, depending on what extras were added.

Though one of the drawbacks in buying a class ring was that students had to wait for the first few weeks of school to receive their rings. "I really feel they should come out either the last day of school or set up a date during the summer." commented Angela Warren.

Others felt that the rings coming out the first weeks of school was good. Explained Kelly Drany, "It's ok because then they have time to correct their mistakes before graduation."

Judy Tiller said everyone should buy a class ring. "It's worth every minute of your life," she said. "You can always look back to high school years and say 'I had a blast with my friends'."





***Sopho... look** at the Jostens ... display while deciding ... ch type of ring they shou... buy.*



***Jimmy Burnett** tests out his ring size while the Jostens representative fills out his order form.*

***Bob Vukasovich** contemplates on what to put on his ring while he looks at the display.*

George Abdalla
Matt Abercrombie
Jan Achziger
Mark Adkins



Shelley Adley
Ronnie Agpnzu
Gary Akin
Sean Akin



Ace Aleman
Bret Alexander
Bridget Alford
Jeff Allen



Shelly Allen
DeAndrea Allsup
Kyle Almond
Bill Alton



Lillian Alvarez
Mark Anderzunas
Stacy Anderzunas
Lisa Andrews



Doug Arnold
Toby Arnold
Cinda Arthur
Cheryl Arteberry



Lisa Ash
Carol Ashmore
Beth Ashton
Traci Avon



Deborah Azcue
Cheryl Bain
Raymond Baker
Becky Bankert



Malek Barakat
Rodney Barber
Kenneth R. Barr
Julie Barron



Greg Bartlett
David Barton
Chuck Bealmear
Steven Beard



A Positive Future

"My duties as a class officer are not only to plan activities for the sophomore class but to support school teams and activities and to be a friend should problems arise," said Jimmy Pena, the Sophomore class President. Jimmy feels that the sophomores hav great potential an can see only positiv things happening i the future.

"Our class is ver close, and I feel pr ud to represent it, commented Rhond Weeks, sophomor Vice-President.

"We need to be leaders and followers." — Tracy Malone

Since the sophomores are not allowed many planned activities, Rhonda said they had an ice-skating party at the Galleria over Christmas Holidays.

The officers also said they are hoping to have a spring picnic near the end of the year.

"I feel our class is fun one. We ar friendly, sociable and easy to get alon with," said Trac Malone the clas Secretary. Tracy say she feels they ar able to enjo themselves whil always reaching fo higher goals.



President
Jimmy Peña

Vice-President
Rhonda Weeks

Secretary
Tracy Malone





Tina Beasley
Shannon Beck
Brian Beddow
Todd Belshe

Laura Bender
Shannon Benoit
Steve Bertrand
Nilam Bhatt

Reese Biggs
Kerri Bittenbinder
Sherrie Blackmon
Henry Blackwell

Chris Blain
Debbie Blakeney
Jodi Blankenship
Scott Blanton

Sammy Blue
John Bollier
David Bolton
Calvin Booker

Marlin Booker
Jim Booth
Tracy Boshart
Candace Bostick

Greg Bouck
Todd Bradbury
Lee Brading
Susan Bradley

Brad Brady
Lariann Brede
Dawn Brennon
Tammy Brigham

Frankie Broumley
Greg Brown
Lewis Brown
Melynda Brown

Terri Brown
Richard Browne
Carol Broyles
Carrie Bruce

Christy Bruffy
Greg Bryan
Tammie Buchheit
Donna Buck
Jackie Buck
Tonya Buckley
Beth Buckner
Lisa Buitron



Kristie Bullock
Michael Punger
Lisa Burcham
James Burk
Tammy Burkey
Ronnie Burkett
Susie Burkhalter
Janice Burnett



Sophomore Favorites

When the sophomore class chose their two favorites, the selection was an easy one.

Brian Gloden and Allison Owens were the ones.

"I felt surprised that people voted for me and I am very grateful towards all of them," Brian said.

Brian participated in the Student Council, F.C.A., football and track. After he graduates Brian plans to attend Baylor University and have a career in medicine.

"I was honored to be selected by the sophomore class as their favorite, and I felt really grateful to the people who believed I could represent them well," Allison said.

Allison has been involved in N.M. activities by serving as a Freshman and Junior Varsity cheerleader, Junior Varsity and Varsity track teams, a member of Blue Brigade, National Honor Society, F.C.A. and Young Life.

After graduation Allison plans to attend the University of Texas at Austin and major in law.



Allison Owens
Brian Gloden

Jimmy Burnett
Patricia Burnett
Rhonda Burton
Lara Butler
Leslie Cain
Paige Calhoun
Mark Campbell
Edward Campos



Dustin Cannaday
Jeannie Carder
Lisa Carney
Lisa Carter
Julie Carver
Laurie Cast
Paul Cathey
Robert Cepak



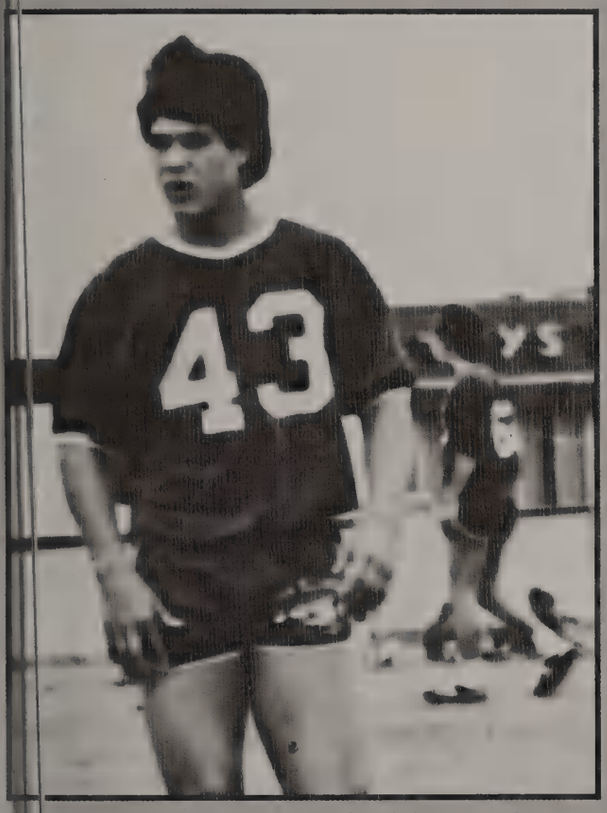
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Warren Chappell
Shinew Cherian
Damon Chisenhall
Yeon-Oh Chung
James Cintron
Paula Clark
Marybeth Clevenger





Shala Clevenger
John Clover
Cheri Clutter
Shelley Cockes
Dalla Cogan
Mike Cohen
Troy Cole
Laurie Colgroue

Robin Collins
Jennifer Conley
Brad Conner
Heidi Cook
Christy Cooper
Leslie Cooper
Michele Cooper
Xan Cooper





***Brian** walks off the field after football practice.*

***Alison** makes sure she has all her books before leaving after cheerleader practice.*



Jennifer Cormier
Shellie Costa
Donna Couch
Joe Couch
Jamie Cox
Tamara Cozby
Brian Crenshaw
Wesley Crooks

Michael Crumrine
Donald Cummings
Shelly Curry
Bill Daniel
Julie Daniel
Lance Daugherty
Damon Davenport
Scott Davidson

Becky Davis
Kevin Davis
Stacey Davis
Tracie Ann Davis
Shelia Day
Pam Decker
Mike Deininger
Todd Deniger



After one of the infamous Duck Creek parties, Chris Rittmuller walks in at 1:00 am because that's what time he said he'd be home.



Since he has a 2:30 a.m. curfew, Bret Alexander gloats after he takes his date home.

As she climbs out of her Trans Am before her 1:00 a.m. curfew, Cheryl Hartman thinks of ways to get her curfew expended.



101 Curfew Excuses

"I had car trouble."

"My watch stopped."

"I had to take a friend home."

"The restaurant was crowded."

Do these sound familiar? They should. They're standard excuses for missing curfew. Take a look at the following more original and creative ones:

"My car was blocked in at the party."

"I broke a fingernail and had to rush to the hospital."

"We met the best looking guys and *had* to talk to them."

"We fell asleep at the drive-in."

This is what happens after coming in. But what about before going out?

"What time will you be home?"

"About 1:00 or 2:00."

"Fine. Have a good time."

Sound vaguely familiar guys? It should. It's a common conversation between a father and his son. But with girls it's totally different.

"Where are you going?"

"Out."

"Out where? Who's going to be there? Who are you going with? What time will you be back? What are you going to do?"

"Oh Mom, give me a break."

"Be home by 11:30 and don't be late!"

Most girls will agree that parents are with more lenient with boys than with girls. Parents just naturally assume that boys can take care of themselves better than girls can.

Matthew Curtis agrees. "I can stay out later than my sister because my father doesn't trust her very much, and he trusts her boyfriend even less! Also, she's a girl, and to my father, that means trouble."



Jeff Dennis
Melissa Dickinson
Phillip Doane
Brett Dobbs
Tammy Dobson
Diana Dona
Raeann Dornon
Chris Dosier

Kelly Drasny
John Drummond
Lisa Drummond
Darrell Dubose
Bobby Duke
Priscilla Duncan
Jennifer Dunn
Le Dzung

Shauna Earp
Barry Eason
Kristy Echols
Lisa Edwards
Lori Edwards
Stacey Elliott
Donna Ellis
Brian Emerson

Andrea Enriquez
Damon Enriquez
Cindy Eoff
Troyla Etheridge
Kerrylea Etter
Doug Everett
Jeffery Everett
Tracy Ewton

Kristy Farmer
Terry Farmer
Chris Fan
Jennifer Farrell
Lisa Feemster
Cindy Ferguson
Kim Ferguson
Mark Ferguson

Denny Ferrantillo
Cindy Ferrara
Jennifer Ferrell
Shannon Fields
Sondra Fisher
Tracy Fleming
Jennifer Fletcher
Ben Floor

Stacey Ford
Jon Foster
Stephanie Fothergill
Warren Fowler
Tim Franz
Erica Free
Christina Freel
Aaron Frith

Brent Fuller
Eric Fultz
Michelle Furr
Alysia Gamblin
David Gardner
Iran Gassman
Lourie Gates
Lisa Gought

Forace Gay
Sara Ghafur
John Gibson
Shane Gibert
Chris Giles
Brian Gloden
Beckey Gondse
Chris Gonzales

Ignacio Gonzales
Susan Goodman
Bill Gordon
Rosalie Gordon
Renay Gray
Travis Gray
Valerie Graybeal
Mary Grech

Mesquite Unwelcomes

A Change of Weather

On Thursday, December 13, at 9:45 a.m., an unusual weather occurrence disrupted the eastern side of Dallas County. A series of tornadoes struck the cities of Balch Springs, Garland, and Mesquite, causing extensive damage in the millions of dollars.

The worst damage done was between Bruton Road and Interstate Highway 80. About 35 houses were completely destroyed north and south of Bruton Road between Peachtree and Hickory and several severely damaged were between Scyene and Military Parkway. Mesquite

Mayor Brunhilde Nystrom said "We are going to let people rebuild their homes as they were before. If they were wooden structures, they can rebuild wooden structures. If they were 900 square feet, they can rebuild 900 square feet."

Not only were houses ravaged, but also schools full of children, were damaged.

Elementary schools Galloway Bedford, J. C. Rugel, C. A. Tosch, and S. M. Seaborn were severely damaged. West Mesquite High School had half of its roof torn off while across the street, Memorial Stadium lost half of its pressbox. The estimated costs for the damage on the schools was in the thousands.

Luckily, for many people, they were either at school or work when the twisters hit, so no casualties were reported. "I didn't believe it," said sophomore Georgia Nations. "People thought tornadoes would never come to Mesquite."



Memorial Stadium's *pressbox after the tornadoes touchdown.*

Two local men *insp the damage in the neighborhood.*

Regina Green
Christy Gregory
Marie Grenier
Lisa Greske
Patricia Groblewski
Bart Gulley
Troy Gustin
Pam Gustof

Kim Guyton
Rolando Guzman
Brandon Hagins
Stacey Hale
Janet Haley
Jeanna Hall
Kim Hall
Shayne Hall

Eric Halverson
Eric Kirk Halverson
Michelle Handeland
Mandy Haney
Amy Harmon
Kristin Harris
Kyra Harris
Sheryl Harris

Jane Hasse
Brian Hawkins
Donna Hayden
Kyle Hebert
Cindy Hedgpeth
Katrina Height
David Henderson
Stephen Hendrix

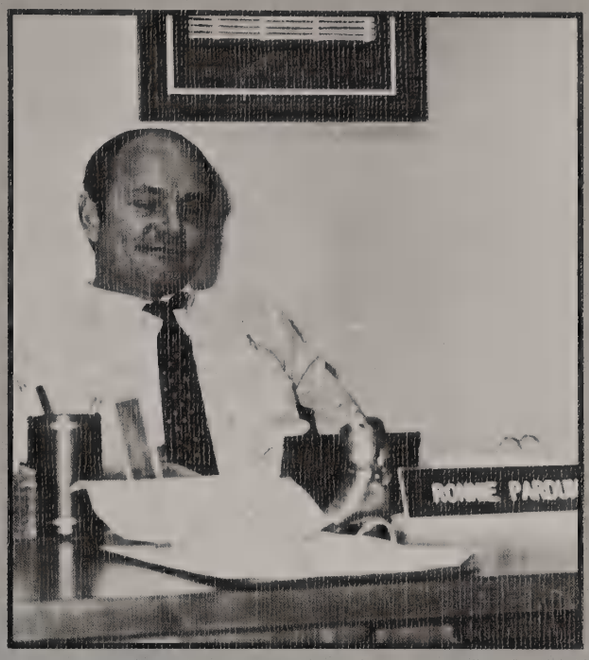
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Chris Higginbotham
Rhonda Hilburn
Dina Hill
Lex Hill
Rhonda Himes





***A local backyard** left in ruins after the unexpected disaster.*





***Mr. Ron Pardun** talks about the damage done to his house by the tornado. HIs roof was damaged.*



***Debris left** over from the twister could be seen in the court yard of West Mesquite and Memorial Stadium.*



Rob Hindman
Mickey Hiser
Stephen Holden
Frank Hogan
Kim Holley
Darron Holloman
Julie Holloman
John Holt

Gary Hopkins
Paula Hopkins
Steve Hopkins
Jace Houston
Joe Hubik
Pam Huckabee
Robin Humphreys
Howard Hunter

Philip Hunter
Darrin Isbell
Brian Ishmael
David Jackson
Jennifer Jacobs
Ted Jakubowski
Vicki James
Christi Jameson

Angie Janosik
Traci Jeffers
Michele Jensen
Jana Jessee
Karen Jette
Ajith John
Brent Johnson
David Johnson

Debbie Johnson
Jimi Johnson
Julia Johnson
Kim Johnson
Tammy Johnson
Andrew Clay Jones
Andy Jones
Jana Jones

Students Enroll In Class With

Driving Force

"When will I ever learn to drive?" ... "But you promised me a car, Dad!"

These are common words faced by parents whose children want to feel a part of the growing population of drivers.

More than ever, students are eager to drive on their own without being chauffeured around by their parents or older brother or sister. This is the time Driver's Education comes in.

Students 15 years or older were signing up in this course in great numbers that classes were usually filled to capacity.

Students dream to drive their own set wheels, no matter w the vehicle may lo like, usually make th to start to drive with a license or even permit.

They usually set th sights to cruise arou Galloway or just as way to get to and fr places.

Driver's Ed is m than just a class to out driving skills ou front of a steeri wheel, but also a cl where students learn the rules of road.

"It gives you a sou of transportation a helps you to unc stand the ways of road as a pedestria Jane Hasse, said.





Jennifer Jones
Kevin Jones
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Stephanie Jones
Steven Jones
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Matt Jordan

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Corey Junell
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Tracey Lamp

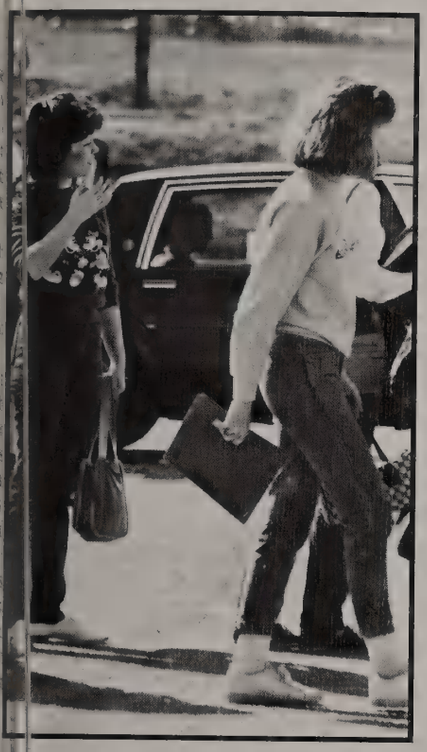
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Judy Leerssen
Joe Lewis
Donald Lloyd
Tracy Longtin

Sherry Loomis
Melissa Loosier
Robbie Lopez
Yolanda Lopez



***Cathy Oper** and Jamie Teems head for the simulator before the tardy bell.*



***Micheal Bunger**, David Baker, and Ronnie Burkett take a rest after a day of driving.*



Lauren Lowery
Kelly Lawley
Toni Lowrimore
Paul Lozey
Shelly Luehrs

Melissa Lujan
Tricia Lumpkin
Nancy Lynch
Melissa Lyuan
Brian Mabary

Tracy Malone
Marci Mangham
Kimberly Mank
Stacey Marks
Leslie Marriott

Jonell Martin
Sandra Martin
Susan Martin
George Martine
David Marweg

John Mathews
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Sean Matney
Theresa Maughn

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Kara McClendan
Tara McClewer

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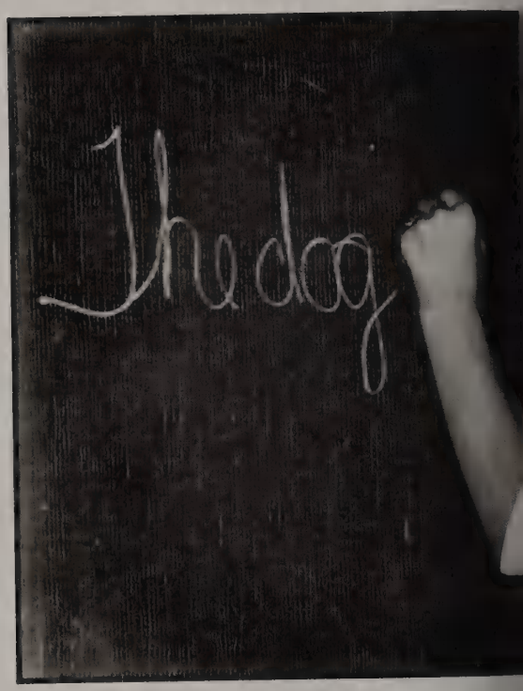
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Edward Moore
Kelly Moore
Marshall Moreno
Lisa Morgan
Glen Morris

Melisa Morris
Jeff Morrow
George Morton
Barry Mosher
Lisa Moya
Lisa Muldon
Rodney Mullins
Jan Mullins

Students Experience

Life as a Lefty



All through North Mesquite, left-handers say that they are being discriminated against. Door handles, desks, and scissors seem to be only for right-handed people.

Left-handed students are often stereo-typed as being different. Kim Ferguson, sophomore, says, "If the left side of your brain controls the right side of your body, then only left-handed people are in their right mind."

Still some say that being a part of the left-handed minority has its advantages. Sherome Jenkins, left-handed sophomore, says that if given a choice her preference would be to remain left-handed. Most left-handers say that everyone is their own individual and unique person, and that being left-handed isn't what makes them original and different.

One advantage is in playing tennis, Tricia Lumpkin, left-handed tennis player, says that when she plays tennis she has to learn to do everything the direct opposite of her right-handed instructor. Yet Assistant Principal Ron Pardun believes that it helps in the long run when playing tennis, "because the opponent hits to my forehand by mistake."



Bobbie Murph
Jode Murphy
Dawn Murr
Jimmy Myers
Cynthia Nash
Georgia Nations
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Craig Nelson

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Judy Newman
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Stacey Noe

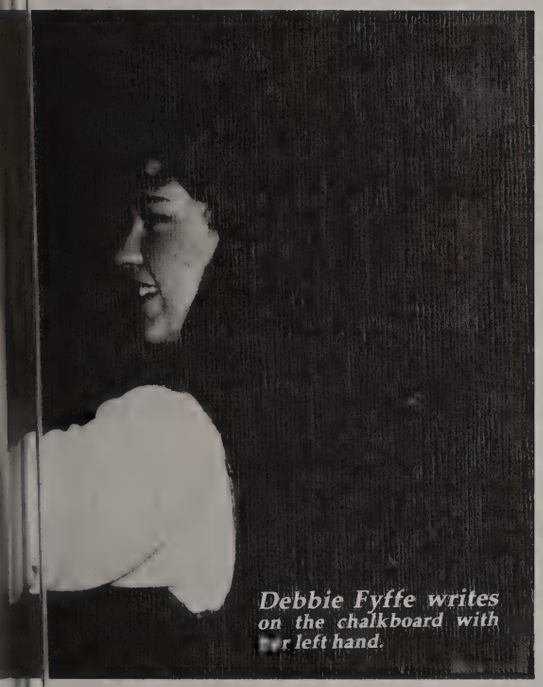
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Allison Owens



Danny Owens
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Stacy Palmore
Kevin Parmer
Michelle Parnell
David Parrish
Patricia Pattan

Pat Paulus
Grey Payne
Tammy Peace
Cheryl Pearce
Verna Pecht
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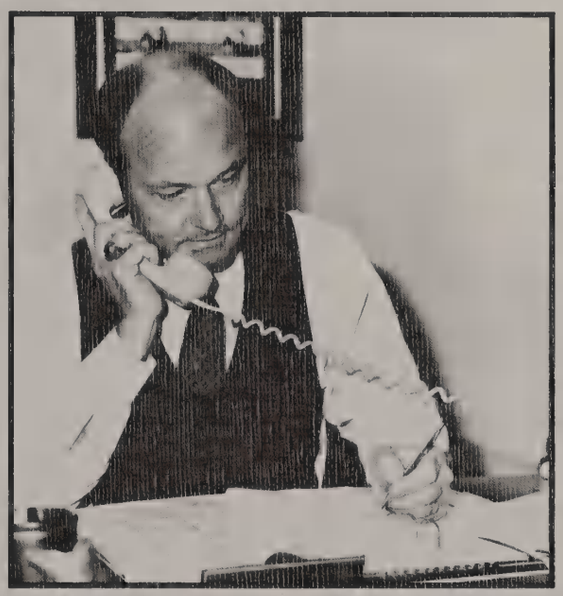


***Debbie Fyffe writes** on the chalkboard with her left hand.*



***Tricia Lumpkin practices** her left-hand serve.*

Mr. Ron Pardun does left-handed work at desk.





Steven Pinckard
April Plunk
Jason Pope
Mike Posey
Barbara Poston
Melissa Peter
Christy Powell
Scott Powell

John Powers
Jeff Prater
Nancy Prather
Susan Pyles
Julia Quinteros
Ricardo Quiroz
Charles Ragsdale
Jean Ramey

Tara Rankin
Lisa Rash
Mike Rasmussen
Christina Ray
Jeff Ray
Jeff Redden
Richard Reed
Mark Reddin

Steve Sharp
Laurie Sheaner
Christy Sheets
Chris Sheffield
Bryan Shelton
Ron Sherwinski
Tanus Shidid
Kevin Shivers

Jeff Shaw
David Sifuentes
David Sibipback
Staci Simmons
Stephanie Simmons
Tricia Simms
Lee Simpson
Bryan Sims

Dena Sims
Jill Sink
Leah Skelton
Carrie Slodowick
Lori Slusher
Keri Smerly
Brian Smith
Charla Smith

Eugene Smith
Greg Smith
Kent Smith
Rodney Smith
Scott Smith
Sharla Smith
Brian Snodgrass
Jamie Southard

Stacy Souther
Karon Sparks
Andy Stachowiak
Joanna Stanglin
Phillip Starr
Jason Staton
Michelle Steelman
Vance Stembers



Day and night students are

Living on the Line

What is the national past time for most high school students? Talking on the phone. "I love to talk. My parents got a phone for me so I could talk to my "main squeeze," explained Tracy Ewton.

But most kids do not always need an excuse for talking on the phone.

"I have to get an assignment."

"I need help to study for a major exam tomorrow."

"I've got to catch up on the latest dirt."

"Where's the party?"

"It's time for my daily rap with my honey."

Phone conversations may last anywhere from 60 seconds to four or five hours. A few people, like Mindy Renner, have limits." "I can't have calls between 11:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m., but it's not a real problem since nobody calls then unless it's an emergency," she said.





Renee Jeze[illegible] her boyfri[illegible]



Ryan Reed
Gary Reese
Dale Reicheit
Jeff Reiter
Tad Renfro
Amy Rice
Amy Rice
Catti Riza

Darla Roberts
Jimmy Robertson
Fred Robinson
Charleen Roder
Cathy Rodriquez
Chris Rodriquez
Kathy Rodriquez
Reg Rodriquez

Sylvia Rodriquez
Brian Roel
Oscar Rosales
Elaine Roseborough
Michelle Roy
Jerry Satterfield
Leslie Sadler
April Sauceman

Shari Sawyer
Tricia Schellenberg
Mike Scheperg
Marci Scherzer
Kim Scott
John Scott
Staci Seabolt
Melissa Seachord
Mellissa Searchord

Robert Self
Danny Sellings
Amy Selman
Holly Selman
Emma Semmler
Paul Sharp
Steve Sharp
Karen Ureste



Patty Kear talks on the phone in order to get an early dismissal.



Since Gennifer Smith and Monica Martell don't talk enough at home they use the school phones too.



Kim Johnson wraps on the phone between classes.

Pancake Make-Up and Pencil Help Students Show Their

Hidden Talents

We study, we exercise, we work, we go out, but; what do we do in our spare time?

What do students do when they are not at school or a school-related activity? Many students have interesting lives outside of North Mesquite.

A typical Saturday for Christina Sides begins about 8 am with a shower and then a one and a half hour make-up session.

She's a model?!! No! A Clown!

After about three hours of walking around a local mall making balloon animals and playing with children, Christina returns home and becomes a "typical" teen-ager again. Is this an easy job? Christina laughingly said, "For the rest of the day and night I just sit around and rest from all the laughing and smiling and playing of the day!"

Scott Davidson can often be found with pencil in hand creating yet another work of art.

Drawing mainly Fantasy and Science Fiction characters, Scott spends nearly thirty hours a week working on his intricately detailed drawings and sketches.

Reflecting on the significance of his work, Scott commented, "Even though many people have told me that I'll never get anywhere with Fantasy art, I have set out to prove them wrong. Science Fiction and Fantasy is an escape of sorts, it lets me be what I want to be for a while."

Just Clowning *around! Christina Sides makes balloon animals at a local mall.*



A Warrior *from an age.*





Scott Davidson *concentrates intently on one of his first color artworks.*

Dana Stephens
John Stephens
Raquel Stephens
Stacy Stephens
Brent Stewart
Cheryl Stewart
Derek Stewart
Doug Stewart

Heath Stewart
Kibbie Stiff
Stephen Stiger
Donald Stockard
John Stockard
Lara Stone
Shannon Stover
Sofia Stutts

Robby Surcek
Kim Swell
Lorie Takitt
Amie Tanner
Shawna Tauton
Tim Taylor
Trent Tedder
Ricky Thomas

Kielei Thompson
Wendy Threlkeld
Judy Tiller
Shawndell Tillery
Sharon Tipay
Lisa Tolbert
Rameall Terrence
Heath Tow





Dee Townsend
Dana Tedway
Vickie Trimble
Christi Tucker
Bronya Tuley
Tiae Turner
Ted Tutor
Kelly Tyler

Brad Underwood
Johnny Valentino
Chris Ann Vanlopy
Susan Varghese
Sarah Vasquez
James Venrick
Jason Vinton
Shelley Vorwak

Bob Vukosovich
Kelly Wadsworth
Jerry Wagner
Cari Wallace
Mary Wallace
Shelly Walthall
David Washburn
Kathy Watkins

Sharie Watkins
Curtis Watson
William Watson
Steve Wavrusa
Rhonda Weeks
Dwayne Wellman
David Wells
DeAnn Welsh

Amy Wenz
Stacey West
Bruce Wheeler
Bonnie Whitaker
Beverly White
Karen White
Donnie Wiggins
Andrea Wight

Greg Wilborn
Erin Wilcots
Byron Wilks
Angie Willard
Cass Williams
Laura Williams
ThyLynn Williams
Britain Willis

Kirk Willis
Chad Willis
Amuy Wilson
Billy Wilson
Gary Wilson
Gidget Wilson
Howie Wilson
Phillip Wilson

Shawn Wilson
Peter Winfree
Elizabeth Wingler
Valarie Wingler
Brandy Winkfein
Shane Withers
Monica Woodall
Joe Woth

James Wright
Paula Wright
Shannon Wright
Roy Wynne
Kathy Yonick
Chris Zink
Tina Zook
Laura Zumbrun

Liz Zuniga

Mike Abbott
Christy Abernathy
LeNora Acy
Roger Adams
Shalu Agarwal
Debby Ahrens
Michelle Alexander
Billy Allen

Ray Allen
Brenda Almand
Phillip Alonzo
Armando Alvarez
Maribel Alvarez
Beth Ardanwski
Tammy Armstrong
Amy Artz

Gerald Askue
Malcolm Ashton
Jeff Ausbrook
Brad Austin
Brad Austin
Clara Austin
Tami Axton
Tammy Bady

Liz Bady
Karen Bailey
Kathy Baird
Dawn Baker
Lerolyn Baker
Miles Balthrop
Denise Ball
Johnny Ball

Kim Ball
Amy Bankester
Darla Bannister
Edward Baptista
Adli Barakat
Eddie Barrett
Melinda Batson
Heather Baxter

Tracy Baxter
Angie Beard
Chandra Beasley
Tony Beaty
Joe Beauchamp
Genny Beaupre
Rick Bedmarski
Johny Bell

Kenny Bellows
Carol Berg
Robert Beyer
Angela Bilyeu
Tina Biredick
Tammy Bishop
Darla Blackman
Al Blaylock

Shawn Blaylock
Mike Bobbitt
Ashley Boling
Sandra Bollier
Sherry Bond
Rodney Bongs
Kevy Booker
Joe Bowden

Mike Bowden
Stacy Bowden
David Bowdoin
Tony Bowen
Ray Bowers
Evan Bowery
Cathy Bowman
Debbie Bowman

Matt Boyd
Paul Brabham
Julie Branson
Chris Brayles
Pam Brest
Glenn Bright
Jennifer Brooks
Mike Brorone





Bill Brown
Brian Brown
Christi Brown
David Brown
Jason Brown
Karlene Brown
Kevin Brown
Richard Brown

Troy Brown
Toby Bryant
Tonya Buckley
Brian Burden
Michelle Burgess
Teresa Burgess
Patsey Burkey
Wendy Burkhart

Charles Burns
Tracy Burns
Jennifer Burross
Kim Bustamante
Chad Cagni
Robert Cain
Jill Calverly
Warren Campbell

On Their Way to the Top

"It was a great honor to be elected as a class officer, it has shown that the people of the frosh class respect me and trust me enough to allow me to represent them." said Keith Wilkins, president of his freshman class.

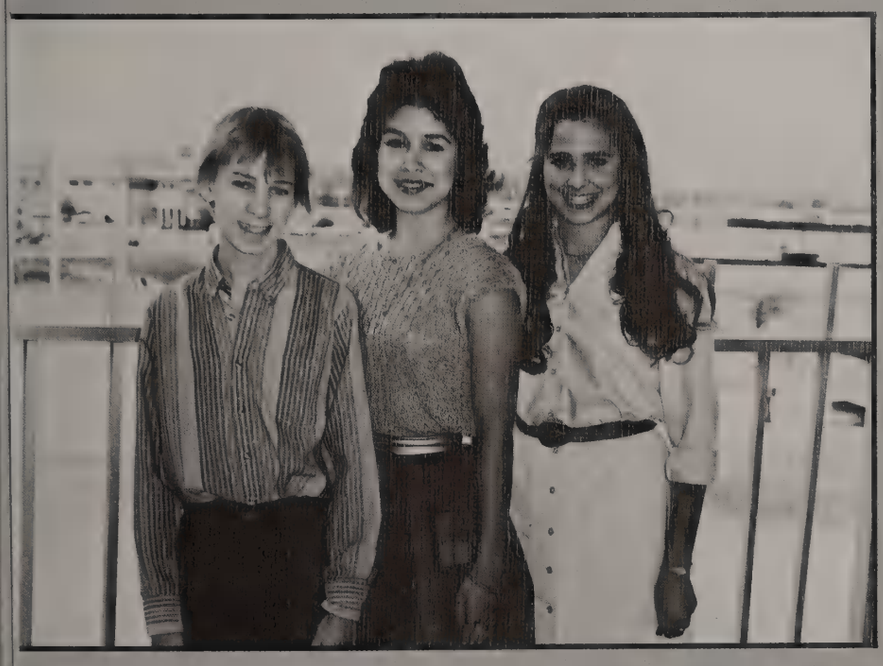
Keith feels that among his duties as president he is also there to make sure that everyone has the best year possible." The frosh class is great and we have a tremendous amount of school spirit," added Keith.

Marlene Waters, vice-president her Freshman man Class, said, " I feel that it is an honor to be selected as vice-president of the Freshman class and a privilege to be involved in the decisions and suggestions of our class."

"N.M. is the best school around and it is the students that make it that way." Keith Wilkins

"I feel that our class is extremely supportive, and would be willing to go to all limits in order to be an outstanding class," said Lissa Krahn, the Freshman Class secretary.

Lissa also felt honored that she was elected to serve as the secretary of her class and hopes that the class can accomplish something.



President
Keith Wilkins

Vice-President
Marlene Waters

Secretary
Lissa Krahn



***Amanda** looks through the card catalog for a book for English class.*



***Brian** works hard to finish his assignment in typing.*

Maura Canty
Melissa Capps
Leslie Caraway
Jason Carney
Janet Carr
Eddie Calvert
Damon Carter
Dennis Carter

Steve Carter
Kelly Carver
Jerrese Carwile
Melanie Cary
Holley Casey
Larry Cassady
Robin Causey
Richard Cervantes

Charles Chambers
Rodney Chambers
Patrick Chapa
Brian Chapman
Greg Chappell
Carrie Charles
Jenny Christian
Angela Chumbley

Hwa Jung Chung
Kelly Clark
Patrisha Clark
Sonya Clark
Sherree Clem
Kelly Clements
Christi Congleton
Jamie Coker
Joanie Coker

Gary Collins
Tom Collins
Chris Collins
Jesse Colwill
Brent Comstock
Steve Conely
Scott Conger

Steve Conley
Cesar Contresas
Amy Coons
Andy Cook
Brenda Cook
Catrina Cook
Christopher Corder
Steve Cornue



Freshman Favorites

The freshmen seemed
know who they
anted to represent
em as favorites and
rian Sagraves and
manda McPhearson
ere the chosen ones.

"I was a little nervous
first, but I feel it is an
nor to have been
osen by my friends,"
mitted Brian. Brian
s/s he enjoys sports
ry much as he par-
ipates in football,
sketball, and track
re at N.M. He plans to
end college, hopefully
receiving a sports
scholarship.

"It really is an honor to be picked because it was totally unexpected," Amanda said. Amanda says she would like to go to the University of Texas at Austin and major in Food and Beverage Management and someday own her own restaurant. She has participated in cheerleading, volleyball and as a member of the Blue Brigade.



Amanda McPhearson
Brian Sagraves



Katrese Cook
Kim Cook
Lori Coronado
Cathy Coursey
Wendy Cox
Kelly Coxwell
Cliff Cozby
Lisa Crabtree

Steve Crabtree
Mike Craft
Cari Cranfill
Brad Criswell
Sean Cross
Mandi Crosswhite
Ronnie Crow
Christia Crum

Rina Crump
Tammy Crutchfield
Lisa Cummings
Wesley Cunningham
Laura Curtis
J. C. Dallmann
Keith Dalton
Brady Davis

Camille Davis
Jay-Jay Davis
Jennifer Davis
Shane Davis
Stephen Devoy
Marvin DeWolfe
Daryl Dial
Norton Diaz

Amy Dickey
Jerrell Dittman
Jeff Doane
Dee Dee Donaldson
Trent Donohue
Rebecca Dooley
Jimmy Doolin
Lee Doolin

Robert Dotson
Wesley Douglas
Tammy Driggars
Keith Duckworth
Michael Duckworth
Brian Duggan
Brian Duncan
Chris Dunaway

George Duncan
James Dunn
John Dunn
Tim Eames
Bruce Eaton
Debbie Edmundson
Leigh Ann Edwards
Eric Elder

Glenn Ellerbrook
Mark Elliott
Leigh Ellis
Kathy Engelhardt
Mike Ennis
Serigo Espinsa
Kara Essman
Holly Ethridge

Danny Eudy
Mary Evans
Kim Ewing
Danny Farina
Kim Farmand
Michael Feemster
Jason Fellers
Jay Fenstermacher

Richard Fetty
Cindy Fillmon
Lisa Finch
Cheri Flint
Christi Flint
Pam Flowers
Robert Flowers
Tina Foley

Charles Ford
Manuel Formossa
John Fornero
Jackie Foshee
Diann Foster
Jimmy Foster
Mark Foster
Mindy Foster

Steve Foster
Scott Fothergill
Lincoln Fox
Richard Francis
Eric Free
Lisa Freeman
Sean Freeman
Jason Frith

Tammy Fuller
George Fulton
Christie Gambill
Michell Garcia
Mike Gardner
Wendy Gardner
Jeanna Garvin
Dale Gentry

Chris Geter
Jackie Gilbreath
Steve Gillepie
Sherri Giles
Stacie Givens
Timothy Glasson
Anna Gonzalez
Elizabeth Gonzales

Barbara Gonzalez
Greg Good
Jeff Good
Misti Goodman
Kenneth Goolsby
Karla Goss
Warren Grady
Scott Graham

Ursula Graham
Lonnie Gray
Debi Greer
Ronnie Griffin
Shawna Grimes
Steve Grimes
Dona Grinstead
Karey Gunn



NM Halls are Filled With

Unfamiliar Faces

At 8:25 am on the first day of school, the tardy bell rings and first period begins. An upperclassman looks around the room for some of his peers to sit down with.

As his eyes scan the room, no familiar faces are found, with the exception of the boy who looks like a younger version of one of his friends.

The frustrated upperclassman finally spots a seat by the only other upperclassman and sits down.

The senior listens in on a couple of conversations around him. Topics include: "Did you find D floor okay?"; "Where's the cafeteria?"; "Wow! This school's a lot bigger than junior high!"; and of course, "Do you know where I can purchase an elevator pass?"

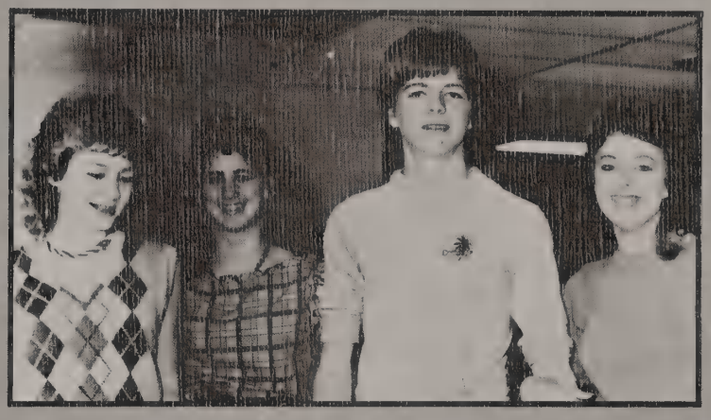
Where did they all come from? Did the middle schools send seventh-graders, too? The upperclassman then discovered that there was a majority of freshmen about him and then proceeds to sell elevator and pep-rally passes to the unsuspecting freshmen.

There was a total enrollment of 777 freshmen for the 1984-85 school year, coming from McDonald, Vanston, and Sunnyvale junior high schools, about twice the size of the other classes.

Senior Deanna Hipp said, "Freshmen are bad about running into people in the hall because they are always afraid of being late to class. But I was a freshman once myself."



tudying diligently, *Cesar ntreras and Angie Beard work to ish their assignment in Mrs. nkston's class.*



Collaborating *in the halls, freshmen Angie Powers, Debbie Edmundson, Damian Hogue, and Holli Holbrook are ready to go home.*



Kellie Gunn
Jenniger Haas
Jason Haddock
Jason Haddock
Regina Haley
Sharon Halfaker
Kim Hall
Deedra Hamilton

D'Juan Hamilton
Kim Hamilton
Shannon Hamilton
Wayne Hamilton
Christi Hampton
Brandon Hanson
Bryan Hanson
Shelly Hanson

Michelle Harris
Stacy Harris
Robby Hart
Brad Hartsfield
Mary Harworth
Linda Hawkins
Stacy Hawkins
Chrissy Hazelwood

Amy Heaps
Amy Hearn
Larry Heath
Ginger Heflin
Trevina Height
Kurt Hendrix
Lee Ann Henrie
Drew Henry

Kristi Henry
Billy Herd
Adam Hernandy
Fabian Hernandey
Johnny Hernandez
Terry Hernandez
Vanessa Hernandez
Kyle Herron

Leslie Hickey
Greg Hill
Jessie Hill
Richard Hinshaw
Yvonne Hipp Amy Hiser
Nathan Hoang
Tab Hoffman



Mapping It Out

Times change as people do along with what is offered on the market. There are new technical appliances that make life easier for everyone such as garage door openers.

As Patcharee Roberts said, "Things are done easier and faster and computers contribute to this. We need the computers and the computers need us."

There are fears that one day computers will replace many jobs leaving people unemployed. When asked how one would feel if his job was replaced by a computer, Donald Wilcox confessed, "I would be ticked off!" Andrea Harris also said, "To have a computer take over one's job would be a big blow to the ego. If the company did not give me another job with equal pay, I would sue!"



Landon Farley examines the computer in the library.

In order to prepare the adults of the future for the improving world, the Mesquite schools have now begun to put Apple II computers in accounting rooms and libraries. Computer programming is offered as a class, also.

As Sharon Ellis stated, "Computers of the future will be an asset to business owners, farmers, and even schools."



Mr. Wagliardo helps Lisa Vestal with her program while Ajith John programs his.

Daymion Hogue
Sherri Hogue
Holli Hollrook
Brian Holgan
Wade Hollingsworth
Lance Holloway
Thomas Holt
Scott Hookings

Bryan Hopkins
Keith Hopkins
Paula Hopkins
Mike Hornbuckle
Suzanne Howell
Josevier Hudson
Andy Hulacbh
Al Hulsey

Jeannine Hunt
Shannon Hunt
Shannon Hunter
Clint Hurst
Kari Jackson
Yasser Ideis
James Hutto
Quylie Hutcheson





William Jackson
Jeff James
Tammie Janca
Shannon Jenkins
Russel Jimmerson
Brandon Johnson
Brandon Johnson
Cindy Johnson

Debbie Johnson
Jeanie Johnson
Koy Johnson
Robert E. Johnson
Sean Johnson
Phil J. Johnston
Ginger Jolley
Chris Jones

Chris Jones
Jason Jones
Mark Jones
Michael Jones
Mitch Jones
Robert Jones
Steve Jones
Tausa Jones



***Dennis Arnold** ponders while trying to figure out a computer math program.*

***Danny Plummer** and Daniel Propes enjoy a break when playing computer games.*





Troy Kane
Donna Kauitzsch
Melissa Kay
Scott Keats
Jayneen Kennedy
Kristopher Kidd
Stephen Killingsworth
Cynthia Kilpatrick

Andra King
Dottie King
Rodney King
Laura Kinkeade
Barry Kirk
Racquel Kirk
Shari Kirk
John Kirkland

Charice Kirkpatrick
Arthur Koenig
Rachelle Kononiuk
Alisa Kazlosky
Lissa Krahn
Susan Krause
Gary Kustz
Keri Kyser

Kevin Lamb
James Lambeth
Jimmy Lambright
Chad LaMont
Lydia LaNove
Ricky Larson
Deanna Lawrence
Kim Lawrence

Dawn Lawson
Debbie Laxson
Trosper Layne
Tracy Leard
Vink LeDang
Brandon Lee
Mike Lee
Robert Lee

Lance Leisure
Duke Lemons
Mark Leons
Chris Limmer
Cindy Linker
Chris Little
Heather Livingston
Martha Leuvanos





Usually the last bus to arrive, bus #30 leaves with only about 20 students aboard.



Waiting for her ride to appear, junior Angela Kuykendall kills some time by doing her homework.

Students may be

Going Places — But How

"I wish I had a car"..."I always have to bum a ride'..."I hate walking home!" All likely excuses usually heard from the mouth's of a typical freshman.

Nowadays, it seems like everyone, one time or another, needs a ride home or places to go that they feel is important. They usually depend on parents, a brother or a sister, boyfriend, or girlfriend for transportation to and from places.

With today's teenagers, there is always something to do or somewhere to go, like shopping, movies, dates, or just to go cruising with friends. "My dad is always griping about that I always want to go somewhere, and I don't think he really likes taking me places," remarked Keith Hopkins. "I really feel uneasy about riding with my parents. You never know what they might say. I would rather be able to drive myself," he said.

But not only are freshmen the only ones bumming rides, but are some sophomores and just a few juniors. They are usually seen impatiently waiting for the buses or their "chaperon" to arrive, or just begging and pleading with a friend for a ride so they won't have to ride the usually crowded buses.

Chaperoning usually happens when the student has no absolute way of getting where he wants to.

Most students agree that they, and their parents, generally don't see eye to eye on this situation. "I don't like being chaperoned around because it's an invasion of privacy. My parents feel the same way, but they do it anyway," freshman Keith Wilkins said.

Kim Rowe felt that chaperones were for their own protection. "Teenagers feel that they are too old for chaperones. It's not that the chaperones don't trust them. Teenagers have all their life to be free. Two or three years won't hurt anything," she said.



Delanie Loertcher
Ashley Lopes
Scott Lorpenter
Terry Lott
Jarod Locust
Daniel Louzau
Herman Luna
Chris Lyons

Doris Lyons
David Maddox
Tina Maddox
Wendy Magee
Andy Malcolm
Tracy Malcomb
Steve Malin
Kelli Maples

Kim Maples
Alex Martin
Debra Martin
Melissa Martin
Marco Martinez
Ramon Martinez
Monica Martell
Pam Marvey

Ronnie Mason
Sam Mason
hope Masters
Seanna Matney
Erin Mattingly
Wayne Mauldin
May Grey
Steven May

Laura Mayes
Terry Mayo
Charlie McAndly
Christy McBride
David McCall
Agnela McClure
Christy McCollom
Dee Dee McCoy

Mike McCoy
Trish McCoy
Macky McCutchen
Rusty McDaniel
Sarma McDaniel
Max McFadden
Chris McGinty
Melanie McGill

Michelle McGinnis
Shana McLarry
Jay McMennamy
Teresa McMillan
Amanda McPherson
Chris McSorley
Lisa Mearson
Kim Meli

Shannon Melton
Beverly Miller
Eric Miller
Merry Miller
Myrna Miller
Teresa Mills
Tony Mitchell
Brenda Nowak

Rene Molina
Joseph Monroy
Marsha Monteil
Mark Montgomery
Heather Montgomery
Johnny Moody
Brian Moore
David Moore

Eddie Moreno
Dawn Morgan
Frank Morgan
Lance Morgan
Shawn Morgan
Tonya Morgan
Brad Morris

Jerry Morris
Leann Morris
Wendy Morris
Mike Morrow
Jason Moseley
Jason Motley
Donny Mumma
Emily Murdock

Brian Nabors
Kenny Neece
Shelly Nelson
Scott Newmann
John Newton
Christine Nguyen
Ky Nguyen
Leslie Nightingale

Shawnna Nix
Donna Nordin
Rick Northcutt
Tammie Norton
Patti Noster
Charles Nutt
Eren OBrien
Susan Ocneschek

Tina Olgiun
Rachel Olivia
Tracy Olson
Billy O'Neal
Tina O'Neal
Delfina Ontiveros
Erin Otero
Jeff Ott

Cherie Owens
Julie Owen
Mark Ownby
Ronson Page
Felicia Palma
Roy Pamplin
Jody Paugh
Scott Paugh

Russ Paulov
Beth Peace
Tony Peeples
Jennifer Pennington
Richeard Pennington
Tony Perdue
John Perez
Bryan Perrigo



Devotion Loyalty and Love

Doctors say that they give more emotional support than most people and that their love and loyalty are beyond measure. Who are they? They are our pets!

Mothers frequently say, "Feed the dog ... Take the cat out ... Clean the fish tank ..." But, do students actually have the time to do these on top of their jobs and school work?

For numerous students, all these come with the territory of being a pet owner. But are they worth it? Senior Timothy Sharp, who's owned his mixed terrier for over three years, said, "It would feel empty to go through high school without a pet."

Some students opt for the more "out of the ordinary" pets. For example, Senior Prissy Halbert owns cows and Senior Sherry Blue owns two horses. For a more different pet, Robbie Babb, Senior, prefers pet rocks.

And why is there a special attachment between pets and their owners? Senior Kristi Crockett explains, "Pets have a way of assuring their owners that they'll always be there for them." Nevertheless, there are times when pets can be pests. Senior Stacie Loos adds, "There is nothing worse than finding out in an awful way that your dog or cat is not house-broken!"



Faith Petty
Hope Petty
Lisa Phillips
Sheryl Phillips
Tommy Phillips
Alexander Pina
Scott Pittman
Jerry M. Plunk

Larry Plunk
Cori Ponsford
Jenni Pope
Damon Posey
Brett Poteet
Patty Pound
Julie Powers
Susan Powers

Thomas Prater
Mike Pratt
Tommy Presley
Valerie Pressley
Renee Prestriedge
Heath Price
Bobby Primm
Bobby Ramsey

Rusty Ratliff
Alana Rattan
Earl Rautenstrauch
Chuck Rawlinson
Casey Rawls
Chris Ray
Chris Wayne Ray
David Ray

Tracy Raymond
Michael Rea
Dena Reichert
Terry Reshers
Becky Reyes
Chris Reyes
Kaire Rial
Lisa Ribbs

Stacy Riddler
Glen Rike
Dale Rings
Manuel Rios
Anthony Roberts
Stevey Robertson
Susan Robertson
Garth C. Robinson





***Jan Packer** gives snacks to her dog, Muff, but only if he does a trick.*

***Tickling** is a common pasttime of Sherry Blue and her dog, Mr. Tucker*

Black Thai Affair

What do you call a group of musically inclined high school students? A band, of course, but more specifically at North Mesquite — *Black Thai.*

Black Thai, a group of four seniors who came together in order to play music for the Pop Show, consists of Brian Sledge, Jeff Allen, Lewis Griffen, and Mark Nester.

Practicing every night for two weeks prior to the Pop Show, the band performed: "New Year's Day," "Over the Mountain," "You Really Got Me Now," and a short excerpt from the "Exit Stage Left" drum solo.

Pop Show *performer* **Black Thai.**



Christie Rockbuck
Kim Rodgers
Rusty Rodgers
Ernie Roe
Belinda Roebuck
Angie Roel
Shelly Rogers
Todd Rolen

Michelle Ronaghe
Diane Ross
Vicki Roushey
Kim Rowe
Joelle Roy
Nolle Roy
Randy Ruff
Melody Rumfelt

Brian Russ
Tammy Rutledge
Brian Sagraves
Kristin Salas
Lance Sampson
Steve Sanborn
Alfredo Sanches
Jennifer Sanders





Kristi Sanders
Mark Sanders
Susan Sanders
Trey Sanderson
Wendy Sandlin
Michaela Sanford
Chris Sauter
Gerald Schaffer

Chris Schappaugh
Illya Scheck
Lorri Schmidt
Jennifer Schramm
Forrest Scott
Randy Scott
Frank Scranton
Donna Seachord

Carey Self
Jeff Self
Jennifer Sellner
David Sepulveda
Shannon Sharp
Todd Sharp
Cathey Shaver
Terry Shawna

Laurie Sheaner
James Shelton
Kelly Shepherd
Hoto Shipman
Keith Sholar
Melanie Shuttleworth
Sharon Simpson
Michele L. Six

Ronda Skelton
Lisa SKinner
Joni Sloan
Becky Smith
Gennifer Smith
Kim Smith
Leigh Anne Smith
Michelle Smith

Mike Smith
Rhonda Smith
Scott Smith
Jim Snyder
Vance Sparks
Jeff Stacy
Erin Stambauch
Kevin Stehn

Kim Stephens
Lynn Stephens
Michelle Stephenson
David Stewart
Lorna Stewart
Russell Stewart
Shelly Stewart
Melanie Strawn

Amy Strickland
Julie Stockard
Jason Stone
Jeff Stone
Kevin Stovall
Rhonda Stone
David Strange
Elizabeth Suder

Melissa Suggs
Sabrina Sunday
Chester Sweeney
Tammie Tanner
David Tate
Stephen Tate
David Taylor
Mike Taylor

Tracy Taylor
Shari Tedrick
Deven Tenney
Shannon Tensley
Shannon Terrell
Deidre Terry
James Thigpen
Beena Thomas

Michelle Thomas
Cheryl Thomason
Kim Thomason
Chris Thompson
Rhonda Thompson
Shannon Thompson
Stacey Thompson
Angela Thomson

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Hien Tieu
Kent Tillman
Carolyn Tobias
Candi Toczik
John Todd
Angie Tovey
Mike Trabue
Samantha Tramel

Terri True
Steve Tucker
Tina Tullant
Brian Tullos
Stephanie Tullos
Jason Turner
Jim Tyler
Steve Tyler

Karen Useste
Natosha Ussery
Joe Valdez
Frank Valencia
Sean Vallejo
Chris Vanderford
Tonya Vandergriff
Kirsten Vandeventer

Eric Van Meter
Mathew Varghese
Abbey Vasquez
Robby Vaughan
Keith Veal
Louis Vera
Beth Videan
Greg Vike

Mark Vrzak
Aaron Wagner
Daron Wagner
Heather Wagner
Kenny Wakeland
Bobbie Walker
Heather Walker
Matt Walker

Erica Walsh
David Warner
Shari Warner
Laura Warren
Jason Washburn
Richard Washburn
Emmett Washington
Marlene Waters

Jamey Watson
Mike Watson
Robert Watson
Shannon Watson
Tina Watson
Kim Watwood
LeNora Way
Laurie Weatherby

Sam Weatherby
Theresa Webb
James Scott Weckman
Sabrina Wellman
Kristy Wells
Kristina Westerfield
Wayne Whatley
Pam Wheeler

Scott Whitaker
Glenda White
Shannon Whitworth
Mark Whorton
David Wilcox
Keith Wilkins
Shannon Wilks
Barry Williams

Radio Station is Mesquite's

Newest Arrival





***Jay Pearce,** North Mesquite student, helps with machinery at the new radio station and makes announcements on the air.*



***The KEOM tower,** located at Memorial Stadium in Mesquite.*

88.3 FM RADIO, KEOM, is the new radio station in the area. The radio station is a format for the Mesquite Independent School District to spread news faster, and the station allows students to learn ''Hands-On'' experience in the radio world.

Mr. Mike Wolf and Dr. James Griffen, faculty of West Mesquite High School, disc-jockey the radio station.

Occasionally, North Mesquite students, Brian Mayes and Jamie Cox, go and do their own show. On Fridays, Brian and Jamie get other students from North Mesquite to help them to tape their latest program.

"Every so often we have some interesting things on the air," says Brian Mayes, "but the station can only play music that is approved and authorized by the Parent Teacher Association." KEOM RADIO plays popular, western, and show tunes.

Coach Robertson said, "This station can help benefit people in the area by helping them to keep up with events in the School District, such as weather, baseball, football and basketball games, along with special events."



Darrin Williams
Kim Williams
Lacy Williams
Roger Williams
Tammy Williamson
Angie Wilson
Domon Wilson
Melissa Wilson

Merrie Anne Wilson
Shane Wilson
Gary Winsett
Karin Withers
Kim Withers
Wendy Wood
Melanie Woodall
Randy Woody

Pam Woonack
Angela Workman
Jason Wright
Melanie Wright
Randy Wright
Sheila Wright
Doug Wygal
Tommy Yates

Tommy Yates
Rena Ybarbo
Keith Yonick
Donny Yoon
Larry York
Todd Young
Tonya Youngman
Jamie Zalesky



Chris Zinney

Keeping NM

Up to Standards



They say the Mesquite ISD is one of the best school districts in the state, and principal John Campbell does his best to keep North Mesquite up to those standards, though it's been especially difficult this year.

"The transitions with House Bill 72 has been a trying period for everybody — teachers, students, parents, and administrators," he explained.

Many students, especially seniors, made it clear that they didn't like any of the changes. "The seniors were good kids, but they were lacking in positive leadership," Mr. Campbell commented. "They really needed to project a positive attitude towards themselves and the school so the underclassmen could have good examples to model themselves after."

Mr. Campbell noticed that the teachers had been affected by the new rules and policies also. "There was so much strain on them this year because of the new rules. The overcrowding didn't help much either, but when Poteet High School gets built, that problem will be solved. We'll also be able to do away with of the portables, which will please both the students and the teachers."

Mr. Campbell added that, "Through all the changes and difficulties of the school year, many of our students continue to work toward receiving a good educational foundation and this is a most encouraging thing."



Martha Adcock: 20th Century Europe, Government, World Geography. **Ada Allen:** Accounting **Mike Allen:** Distributive Education I, II. **Linda Attaway:** French I, II. **Kenny Barnes:** Physical Training, Girls Track.



Randy Barnes: Biology I. **Peggy Barnett:** Recording Secretary. **Gloria Benavides:** Spanish II-IV. **Gay Bennett:** English I. **Maggie Birdsong:** Homemaking I-II, Child Development.



During the day, Mr. John Campbell likes to mingle with the students and teachers to find out what is going on with the people at NM.

Doin' outside with Brian Mondy, Mr. Campbell socializes on Western Day.

Principal John Campbell

Administration



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Dr. Ralph Poteet



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Susan Cumby: Resource Math. **Ron Daniels:** Plastics, Gen. Wood, Adv. Wood. **Rick Davis:** Band. **Sherrie Day:** Typing I English I. **Debbie Deaton:** Volleyball Coach.

Lavonne Dennis: English IV, Computer Logic. **Cora Dugan:** English IV (H), French I, **Don Duke:** Assistant Principal, **Patty Dunn:**Teacher Secretary, **Doris Eaton:** School nurse.

Richard Ehrig: German I-IV, Spanish I, American History. **Judy Fitzgerald:** VAC. **Celia Fletcher:** Counselor, **Ann Flowers:** Librarian. **Roger Frith:** British History, Government, American History.

Carla Gassway: English I, III. **Raye Gibson:** Advanced Reading, Reading Improvement. **Vicki Glenn:** Geometry, Algebra II, Computer Logic. **Pat Graham:** Study Hall. **Sandra Gray:** Government, World History, Sociology.

Helen Griffin: Counselor. **Major Roger** Guynn: ROTC, Drill Team, Rifle Team. **Tim Harris:** American History, Basketball. **Dennis Hart:** Training, Physiology. **Carolyn Hetzel:** Principal's Secretary.



The Easy

Way Off

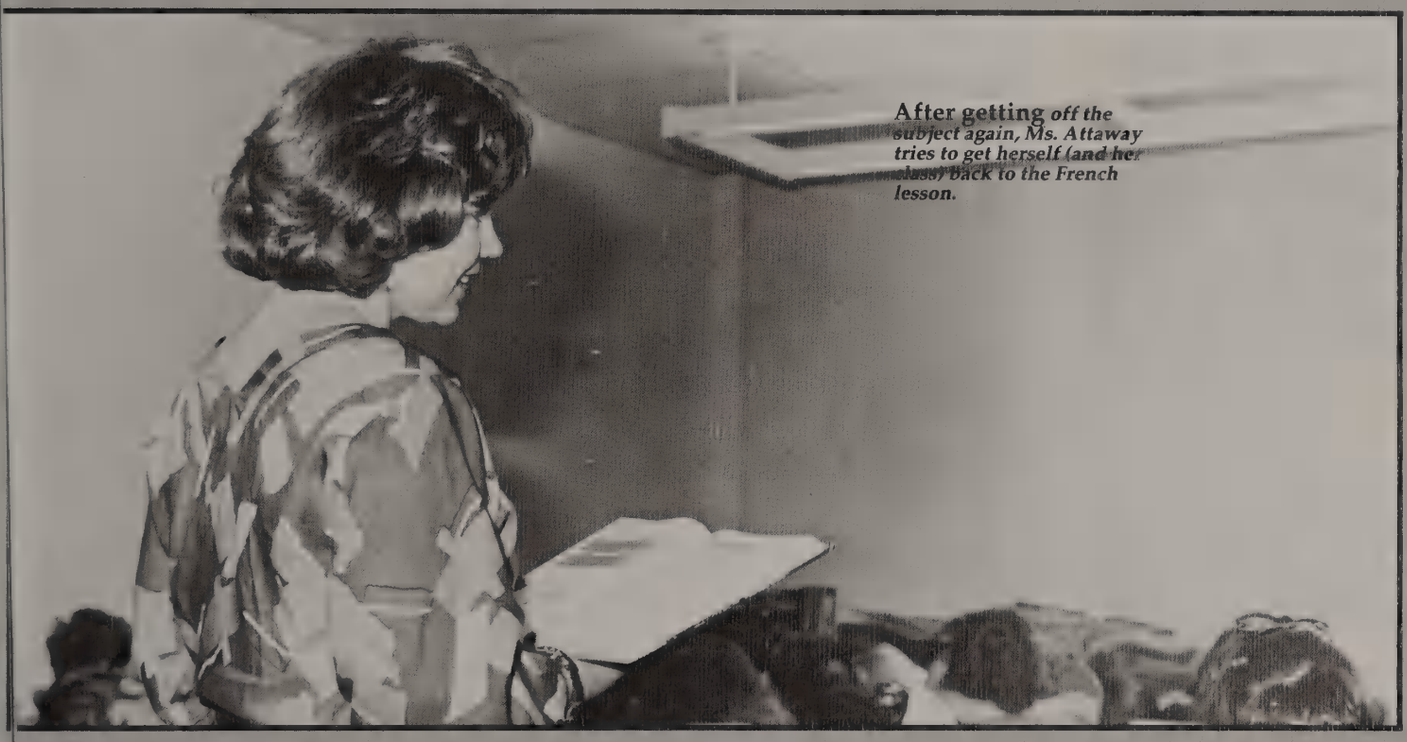
Have you ever come out of a daydream in the middle of class to find the teacher discussing something totally off the wall?

Teachers that get side-tracked easily are usually ones that are trying to get a point across, explain something, or share something that they find interesting with the class.

Many teachers get off the subject when they start using hypothetical situations to get the class to think. One thing leads to another and by the end of the discussion, nobody can remember how it began.

Others like to share memories and experiences with their classes.

Mr. Larry Wagliardo once explained, "Anything dealing with computers can easily lead me astray. I usually talk about what things were like on the farm before computers." he joked.



After getting *off the subject again, Ms. Attaway tries to get herself (and her class) back to the French lesson.*



During lunch, *Mr. Dick Jackson takes a break from lecturing in his history classes.*



Easily side-tracked *Mr. Larry Wagliardo likes to share his childhood experiences with his class.*

Way Back When . . .

It was a new addition to Mesquite -- one that would change the daily lives of students and teachers in the Mesquite ISD. The arrival of a new high school named North Mesquite.

Sound out of date? It is to the students, but not to seventeen teachers here at NM. They were here when the doors were first open in 1969.

Way back then:

North Mesquite only had 1,550 students its first year.

Ron Pardun had hair and was a freshman football coach with Ron Powell.

Robert Shiflet was the tennis coach.

Don Duke and Gary Childress were assistant varsity football coaches.

Larry Wagliardo wore dark rimmed glasses.

Gary Childress and Dick Jackson had crew cuts.

Coach Charlie Tabor had his picture in the yearbook.

There was no Town East Mall.

A real live band played at the Prom.

99.9 percent of the guys had their hair parted on the side.

99.9 percent of the girls had straight hair.

Mini skirts were acceptable for the girls and were at their shortest.

Since that time, NM has been district champs in numerous sports, and has received UIL honors. Enrollment has jumped to 2600 with 2800 expected for 1986.



***Back when** Coach Ron Powell first began teaching at NM almost all of the guys had their hair parted on the side, and his was brown.*



***Instead of** teaching Chemistry, Mr. Ben Cross taught Biology sixteen years ago.*



***As assistant** Principal now, Mr. Ron Pardun has a lot of authority, but as a freshman football coach when NM just opened he had much less.*



Connie Hetzer: English I, Speech I-IV. **John Hicks:** Biology I, Varsity Baseball. **Richard Hoffman:** Photography, Graphic Arts. **Jo Holland:** Spanish I.

Beth Hollingsworth: English III, IV. **Dick Jackson:** World History, Government. **Teresia Johns:** PV Science, Math English, History, Resource English III, IV. **Tommy Johnson:** General Drafting, Architectural Drafting.

Janet Jones: Journalism I, Photo Journalism, News Production, Newspaper Staff. **Jane Kelley:** Intro to Algebra, Algebra I. **John Kline:** Honors, Symphonic, Concert Band, Music Theory, Orchestra. **Kathy Lane:** Resource English I, III, IV.

Judy Linker: Algebra I, Geometry. **Robbie Lock:** VOE. **Eddie Mellado:** Biology I. **Weldon Minnick:** Music Theory I, II, Orchestra I, II.

Lorraine Mitchell: Physics. **Mary Ann Morgan:** Librarian. **Reba Morgan:** Secretary. **Linda Muhl:** English II, Cheerleader Sponsor.

Donna McCord: Chemistry I. **Carol McFarling:** English II(H), III. **Ray McFaul:** Trigonometry, Analytic Geometry, Algebra II, Calculus. **Norman McLaren:** VICA-ICT.

Ron Pardun: Assistant Principal. **Jan Packer:** History. **Rebecca Paris:** English I(H), II. **Barbara Perry:** Spanish I.

For Money And Experience Students Are

Working for a Living

of the job site. He works at various marine dealerships and marinas and is involved in every aspect of the production of the canvas from taking orders to collecting checks. He hopes it will give him the opportunity to start his own business and develop credit so that he might one day be able to buy himself a cruiser and run charters from somewhere in South Texas, an occupation he would really enjoy.

Distributive Education provides leadership training in order to produce leaders.

For example, Marty Zumbrun, unloads semi trucks as a distributor and marks merchandise at a dock called Sam's Wholesale Club. He does it mainly for the money and experience, but he is also putting money in the bank so that in five years, if he is still working there, he could become manager.

In the marketing area of DE are Carl Frazier and Christi Hill. Carl works at the Jack in the Box on Town East Blvd. and is what is called a floater (someone who is used when ever he is needed), and works five days a week from 12-6pm.

Christi works at Sanger Harris in Highland Park counting merchandise, working in the cash office, and acting as a salesperson in the men's, accessories, shoes, juniors, handbags, and specialty departments. She also makes price changes and mark downs.



OEA members: Penni Tankersley, Valerie Dotson, Rhonda Schreiber, Beth Hartsfield, Teresa Walter, Micheala Hall, Jill Semento, Cindy Gensler, Raquel Allen. *second row:* Tracy Crocker, Denise Cooksey, Lisa Blevins, Lou Ann McKezie, Karla Layne, Shelley Bannister, Stacy Kinney, Nicole Mitchell. *third row:* Janie Gray, Delia Regaldo, Julie Brooks, Melissa Molina, Deborah Blakney, Angela Prichard. *fourth row:* Christie Lagadinos, Michelle Rodgers, Lisa Carr, Starla Anderson, Clint Gagliardo, Kelly King, Deanna Stanglin, Nina Clayton, Ms. Robbie Lock, sponsor.

Vocational Office Education is a program that enables a student to attend classes in the morning and work in job related programs in the afternoon. The students attend one class period of VOE learning to operate calculators, refresh typing skills and to transcribe using dictaphones. They also receive hands-on experience on computers and word processors. In addition, they become familiar with the current job market: where the jobs are, how to apply for a job, how to dress for an interview, follow-up procedures, anything that will make the student more successful in the business world.

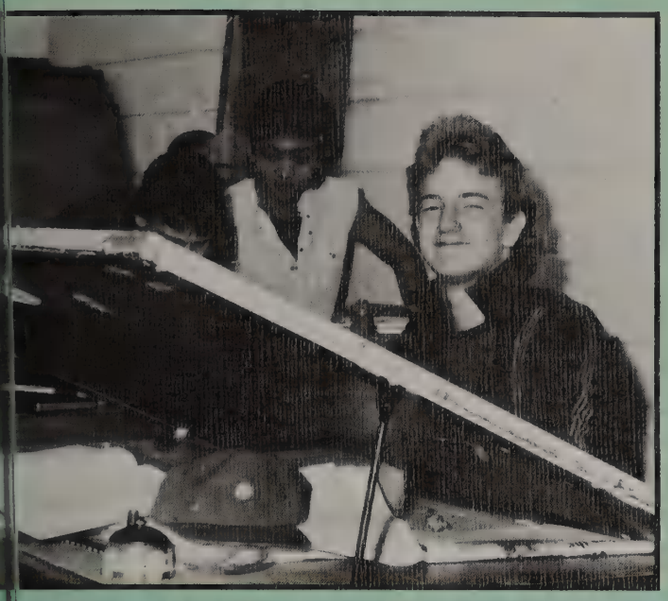


***Hair Styling** techniques are practiced by Cosmetology students Beverly Chritian, Stephanie Gonzales, Heidi Alexander, Mrs. Hensley, instructor, Terri Sarrett, Kim Haston, and Tammy Harris.*



FCM members: first row: Patricia Lumpkin, Lara Stone, Jane Perez, officers Ronnie Mason, Neely Boyd, Vonna Thornburg, Brad Merritt, Kayla Price, James Townsend, Kendra McCurry, Ginger Blackstone, Pam Bright, Julie Stockard. *second row:* Scott Newmann, Dawn Brennan, Kibbie Stiff, Sheila Wood, Andra King, Lisa Carter, Jerrese Carwile, Karen Stachowiak, Melanie Woodall, Sharon Carter, Wendy Willis, Bryan Tomes, David Mattox, Russ Pavlov. *third row:* Laura Manley, Debbie Laxson, Robin Causey, Lauri Calgrove, Cindy Linker, Tara Daves, Dana Pruitt, Daniel Louzau. *fourth row:* sponsors Mrs. Linker, Mr. Kline, Will Hall, Philip Hunter, Charles Mayne, Steve Tucker, Bob Vukasovich, Randy Laxson, Karla Goss, Kara McClendon, Jason Haddock.

Although Fellowship of Christian Musicians is not a vocational program, it is an organization at NM, and a new one at that. This group, consisting mainly of choir, orchestra, and band students, meets twice a month for fellowship and a devotional program. They also have socials at students' homes.



***Senior Jeff Allen** grins a moment as he works on his State Qualifying project in Drafting.*

***Future mechanic** Mike Cohen, junior, works on the engine of an old Malibu in Auto Mechanics.*







***As she** cuts a patron's hair in Cosmetology, Heidi Alexander, strikes up a friendly conversation with her.*

***Charlotte Beeler,** (MDE), Norman McLaren (ICT), Robbie Lock (VOE) prepare to register students for the various vocational programs.*

Sports



Check out NM sports. Anyone in the area knows that the NM sports teams are to be reckoned with. A total of five district titles, four bi-district titles, one area title, and one state champ makes it easy to see why NM makes its mark on the sports scene.

Among the district winners were the baseball, volleyball, girls basketball, and both boys and girls soccer teams. Bi-district titles were held by the volleyball, baseball, and soccer teams.

Our varsity volleyball team won the area championship, going farther than any other volleyball team had gone before.

Aside from team sports, individual medalists represented NM at varous playoff contests. Golfer Chris Dosier participated in the regional golf tournament, and James Giddens received the state title in his division in weightlifting.

It's plain to see that our sports teams are definitely worth checking out.



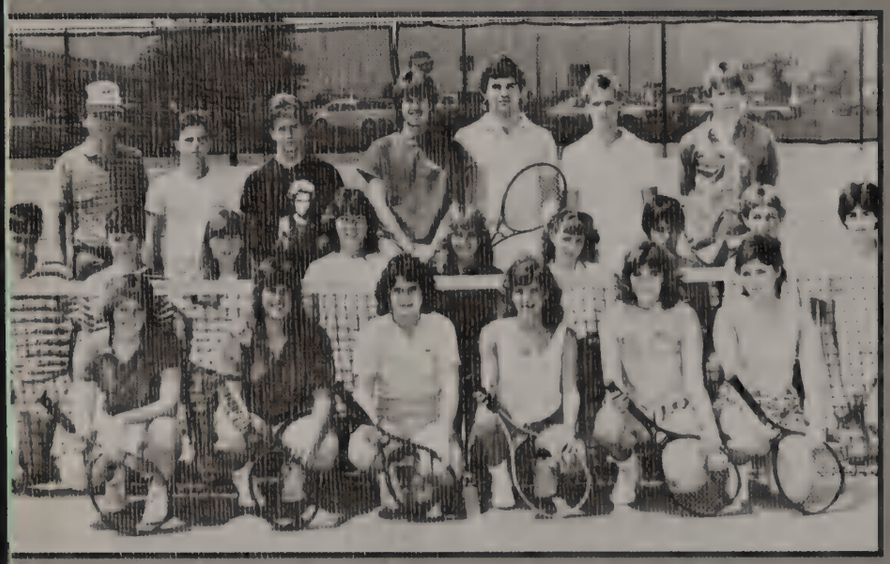
Coach Debbie Deaton *works out a strategy with her team. The volleyball team captured the district, bi-district, and area titles.*

Lineman Mike Bohn *goes after the opponent. Tied for first place, the varsity football team didn't go to the playoffs due to a coin toss.*

of Interest

NM		
1st	Garland	2nd
1st	N. Garland	2nd
1st	Lakeview	2nd
2nd	S. Garland	1st
1st	Mesquite	2nd
2nd	Highland Park	1st

Tennis team members are: (row 1) Tricia Nations, Kelli Revannaugh, Jan Achziger, Diana Dona, Joni Sloan; (row 2) Robert Smith, Becky Griffith, Tami Zeleski, Denise Ball, Laura Warren, Robyn Grant, Robert Lopez, Troy Cole; (row 3) Coach James Brinkley, Mark Atkins, Bart Gulley, Scott Sitzman, Joey Sloan, Tim Franz, James Venrick.



Tennis Team Finishes Season As

One of the Best

Running the stairs and lots of practice games are all a part of the training of the tennis team.

The North Mesquite tennis team placed third in both girls and boys fall team tennis.

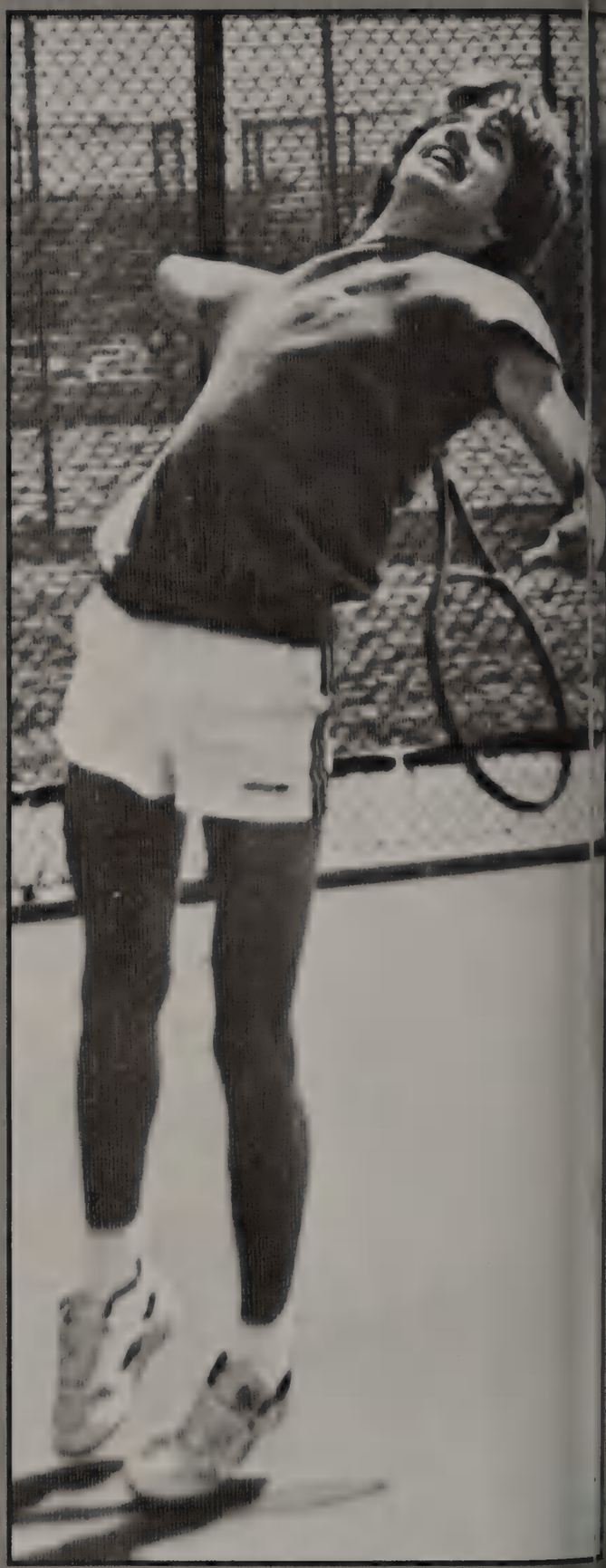
The team brought home victories against Garland, North Garland, Lakeview, and Mesquite, losing only to South Garland and Highland Park.

Doing an excellent job in the fall matches were Kerri Lawbaugh, Kelli Revannaugh, Diana Dona, Han Achziger, Jamie Zalesky, and Denise Ball. The boys who played well were Scotty Sitzman, Joey Sloan, J. J. Davis, Troy Cole, Bart Gulley, Mark Atkins, and James Venrick.

The team participated in the Garland, Plano, L.D. Bell, and Dallas Tournaments.

The district tournament was the team's most rewarding, with three teams advancing to regionals. Diana Dona and Scotty Sitzman advanced in the singles matches, and Bart Gulley and Mark Atkins in doubles. This was the most players NM has ever had to advance to Regionals in one year. At Regionals three teams were defeated by players who won first in their division at the state tournament. This was an indication of how strong NM's region was this year.

In the spring tennis season, the Stallions finished third, once again behind Highland Park and South Garland.



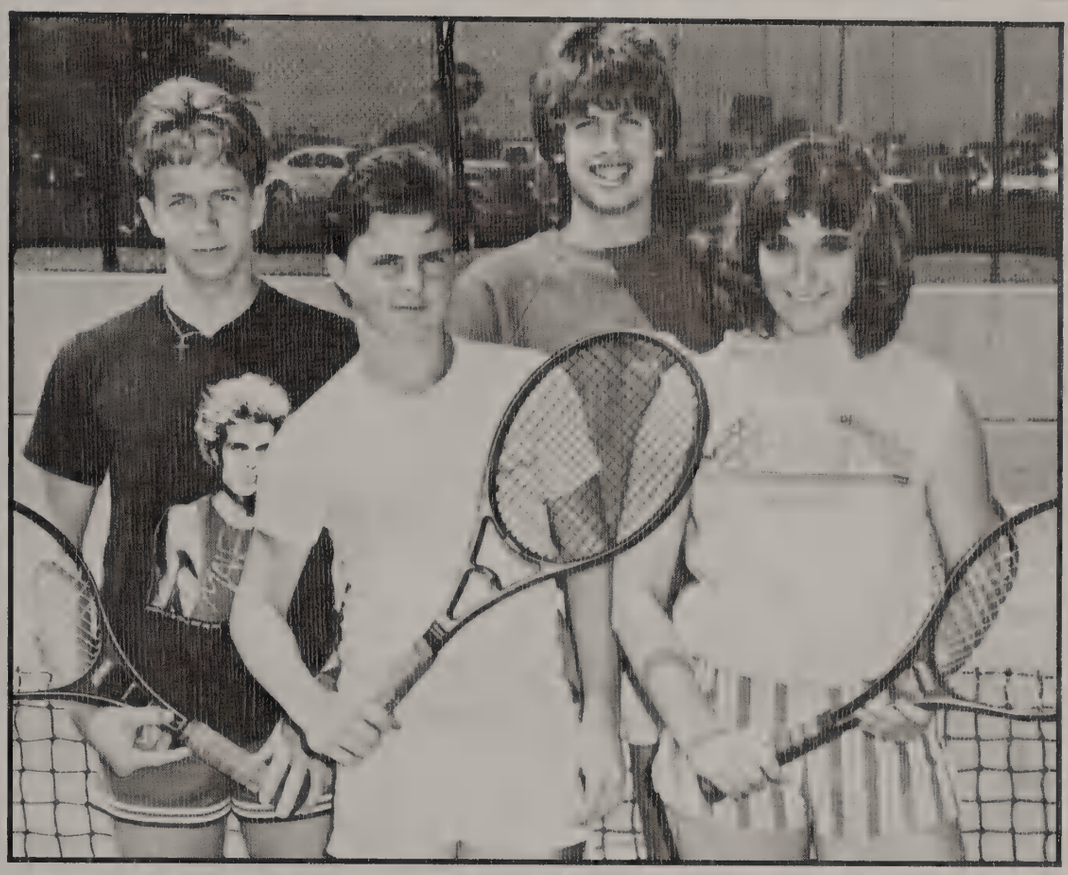
***Junior Scotty Sitzman** prep to knock the cover off the ball practice.*

Tennis

layers who went to the gional match were Bart Gulley, ark Atkins, Scott Sitzman, and iana Dona.

erri Lawbaugh practices r an upcoming match.











Senior Kelli Revannaugh plays one last game before school was out.

Denise Ball shows her skill on the courts.

Mark Atkins blows the ball away at practice.



"I really enjoyed playing tennis because it's an individual sport, yet we played to win for the team."
— Kelli Revannaugh



"I really enjoyed playing tennis this year and I'm looking forward to next year."
— Troy Cole



"There's three teams that are really good and we're one of them. We really put up a fight against Highland Park. They knew who they had played even though we lost."
— Kerri Lawbaugh



Marc Fergason *watches his ball taking a shot.*

After Losing Players from the 1984 District Championship Team, the Meets Were Not

Up to Par

After placing seventh in the district, the golf team did not do as well as expected. However, they gained experience from it.

As Miles Haberer stated, "The team as a whole didn't have an overabundance of talent but we did as best we could and were fairly successful."

In the South Garland Tournament, the golf team finished 15 out of 25 teams and in the Dr. Pepper Tournament, 18 out of 30 teams. At the Plano Tourna-ment, the team finished five out of 20 teams with Chris Dosier as the second medalist. During the District Tournament Chris received third medalist, with the team finishing seventh.

Coach Tabor explained, "1985 has been a good learning experience and with hard work we should start a gradual improvement beginning early next year."

Although the team lost valuable players of the 1984 District Championship, they gained experience that will help in 1986.

Being a coach for golf takes patience and time. As Chris Dosier said, "I think Coach Tabor is a good golf coach. He helps us when we need it. He is also very patient considering the year we had. I think he did a good job coaching Mesquite and North Mesquite."



***Chris Dosier** watches his ball fly through the air and into the hole.*

of Interest

Tournament	Place
South Garland	15th
Dr. Pepper	18th
Plano	5th
District	7th



Golf Team: *Front Row* — Jim Tyler, Marc Fergason, John Todd, Paul Teagle.
Back Row — Chris Dosier, Miles Haberer, Chuck Houpt, Shannon Thompson.



Miles Haberer ***and Chuck Houpt watch as Chuck's shot goes in the hole.***

Chuck Houpt ***positions himself to tee off and hit the hole.***





Miles Haberer ***concentrates on where to hit the ball in order to help out his team.***



Chris Dosier ***and Marc Fergason discuss their next shot.***



"Coach Tabor is an understanding man. If you have homework or an event you need to get ready for, he doesn't mind you leaving early." — Richard Harwell



"The team meets did not go very well at all considering the potential we had. Everybody could have done better in each tournament."
— Chris Dosier



"The team as a whole didn't do to our best of ability. Our number one golfer, Chris Dosier, did a good job for the team, though."
— Marc Fergason

P•L•A•C•E•S

of Interest

East Texas Meet	5th
North Mesquite Meet	3rd
Corsicana Meet	7th
Region Six Meet	2nd
State Meet	5th

Powerlifting team members are: *(row 1)* Joe Ward, Andy Cook, Alan Warta, Ivan Gassman, Brian Duggan, James Giddens. *(row 2)* Coach Kenny Barnes, Jhon Fornero, Jimmy Blair, Sean Gassman, Roger Cave, Greg Good, Mike Bohn. *(row 3)* Donnie Lancaster, Brent Bussey, Jeff Feinglass, Ricky Thomas, Jeff Good, Darrell Petter, and Sloan Newman.







***Coach Kenny Barnes** posts the weights successfully lifted by team members at the North Mesquite Dr. Pepper meet.*



"I competed well at the district meet, but the lifters were too good at the regional meet. There were some really strong guys there."
— Darrell Petter

"Being on the powerlifting team improves my strength greatly which helps me in football. It also gives me something to look forward to during off-season."
— Sean Gassman



"Coach Barnes doesn't require any working out, but he lets you know that to win you have to be there to work. I choose to work."
— James Giddens





In the course of competition, senior Mike Johnson attempts a lift at the regional meet.

Senior Sloan Newman squats with over 320 pounds on the bar.





At the Lake Highlands gym, Alan Warta attempts a lift at the Regional meet.



Junior Donnie Lancaster lifts at the Regional meet.

Powerlifting Team Works Hard to Become

Muscle Men

Around the first of December a group of dedicated athletes began training for the season to come. Diet and workouts are a major part of the powerlifting team's success.

The first meet the team competed in was the East Texas Powerlifting Championships at Paul Pewitt High School, placing fifth overall.

In the second annual North Mesquite Powerlifting Championships, the lifters placed third.

The final meet of the regular season, the Stallions traveled to Corsicana where they placed seventh. Coach Kenny Barnes commented on the season, "All of the lifters progressed very well and improved each of their lifts as the season continued. We entered five meets and placed in the top five at three of the meets.

The team then competed in the Region Six Powerlifting Championships at Lake Highlands High School. Junior Jimmy Blair said, "The platforms were slippery and caused quite a few people to bomb out of the meet, including myself."

The Stallions placed second in this meet.

Four lifters qualified for the state powerlifting championships held in Austin. James Giddens won first place in the 181 pound class and was named Outstanding Lifter.

The following lifters also competed at the State Meet: Alan Warta — 148 pound class — eighth place; Mike Johnson — 242 pound class — eighth place; and Joe Ward — Superheavyweight class — fifth place.

Out of 57 teams from the state of Texas competing, North Mesquite placed fifth, and there were eighteen athletes competing in each weight class.

Alan Warta commented on being a member of the weightlifting team: "I like being on the team because of the great friendships you can form while working out. You can really find out about a person's personality and pride when you're sweaty and your muscles are throbbing and tired."



Carrying the ball, Ben Floor gets trailed by a Wilmer-Hutchins Eagle.

JV, Frosh Football
Teams Learn Basics While

Preparing for Success

The JV and Frosh football teams, being future varsity Stallions, finished with successful seasons.

The JV team ended the season with six wins and four losses. JV team member Todd Belshe said, "The high point of the season was when we beat the Skeeters, 13-10."

"Even though our record wasn't the best, the guys played as a team until the last down of the season," commented sophomore Brian Beddow.

Eric Fultz said, "Our worst game of the season was the game against HP. After it rained all week long and we had short practices, we weren't prepared for them."

"The coaches were a major asset to our team. They believed in us and that made us believe in ourselves," remarked John Stephens.

The frosh "A" team had a season record of seven wins and two losses, completely shutting out its first four opponents.

Freshman player Shannon Sharp said, "The coaches contributed a lot to our success this year. All the coaches stayed until at least five o'clock everyday during football season."

The frosh "B" team finished with a record of three wins and two losses.

Freshman Joe Monroy said, "The highpoint of the season was our win over Highland Park. That was our main goal . . ."

P•O•I•N•T•S

of Interest
JV Record
6-4

NM		
21	Samuell	6
22	Berkner	35
25	W. T. White	8
21	Garland	0
7	N. Garland	28
21	S. Garland	0
22	Wilmer	6
3	H. Park	20
13	Mesquite	10



JV team members are: *(row 1)* Robbie Syrcek, John Stephens, David Gardner, John McKenzie, Brian Beddow, Jeff Prater, Brian Monroy, Darrell Dubose.
(row 2) Jerry Wagner, Jesse Molina, Heath Tow, Charlie McAnally, Brad Jones, Ben Floor, Maeshall Moreno, Donnie Floyd.
(row 3) Todd Belshe, Richard Brown, Kenny Wakeland, George Martinez, Chris Mayhall, Andy Jones, Chris Zink.
(row 4) Richard Washburn, Jack Lee, Kent Smith, Oscar Rosales, Curtis Watson, Danny Owens, Eric Fultz, Phillip Wilson.
(row 5) Toby Arnold, Ricky Thomas, Brian Ishmael, Charles Ragsdale, Dustin Cannaday, Justin Jordan, Jimmy Pena, David Johnson.
(row 6) Tracy Flemming, Roy Wynne, William Watson, Travis Perry, Matt Mecke, Daniel Peters, Chris Higginbotham, Todd O'Brien.
(row 7) Joe Ubeloth, Brian Chappell, Coach Mark White, Coach Ed Mellado, Coach John Hicks, and Tony Gustin.



In the game against Wilmer, sophomore John Stephens rushes through the line.



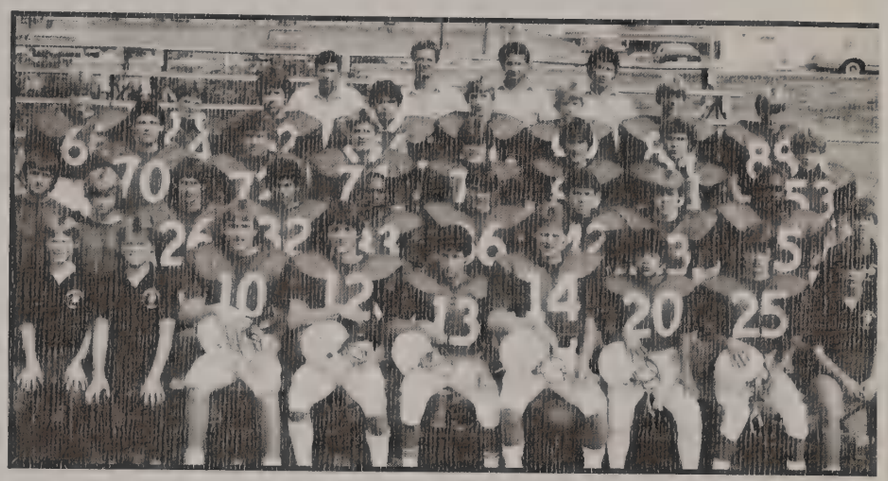
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of Interest
Season Records
7-2

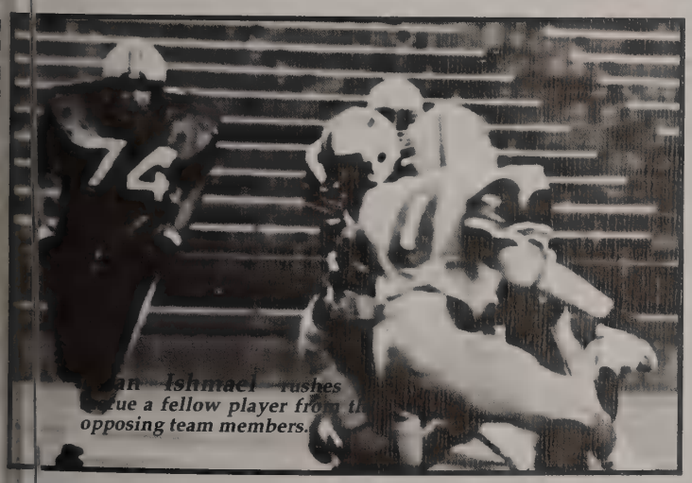
NM		
7	Irving Nimitz	0
21	W. T. White	0
41	Anna	0
33	Garland	0
6	N. Garland	14
21	Wilmer	14
13	H. Park	20
33	Lakeview	0
36	Mesquite	13

Members of the frosh blue team are:

(row 1) Wesley Cunningham, Ricky Larson, Greg Vike, John Dunn, Chris Limmer, Robby Vaughn, Johnny Hernandez, James Dunn, David Bowdin.
(row 2) Eric Miller, Bobby Montgomery, Chuck Rawlingson, Tony Peoples, Robert Jones, Brian Chapman, Scott Fothergill, John Moody, Joe Bowden, Jason Turner.
(row 3) David Sepulveda, Scott Keatts, Brody Davis, Shane Davis, Shannon Sharp, Andy Cook, John Kirkland.
(row 4) Scott Pittman, Mark Leone, Jeff Good, Norton Diaz, Larry York, Randy Wright, Brian Snodgrass, Brian Dugan.
(row 5) Coach Morris, Coach Bragg, Coach Weeks, Coach Blair.







***Dan Ishmael** rushes to tackle a fellow player from the opposing team members.*

P•O•I•N•T•S

of Interest
Season Record
3-2

NM		
13	Irving Nimitz	6
0	Mesquite	8
14	H. Park	6
6	Lakeview	7
13	Mesquite	0

Members of the frosh white team are:

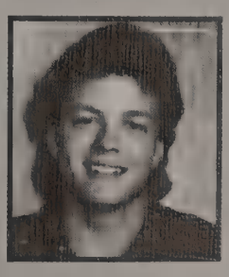
(row 1) Ricky Larson, Mark Jones, Steve Malin, Shaun Blaylock, Jow Monroy, Scott Smith, Billy Allen, Damon Posey, David Bowden.
(row 2) Wesley Cunningham, Bobby Montgomery, Earnie Roe, Jeff Stone, Brian Nabors, Jason Brown, Brian Tullos, Brent Comstock, Wade Hollingsworth, Jason Turner.
(row 3) Eric Miller, Ray Bowers, Lance Holloway, Earnie Farris, Richard Cervantes, Mike Browne, Mike Browne, Mike Lee, Mitch Jones, Paul Bragham.
(row 4) Shawn Morgan, Roger Williams, Barry Williams, Al Hulsey, Brad Morris, Doug Wygal, Chris Schaupaugh, Richard Fetty, Scott Whitaker.
(row 5) John Fornero, Heath Price, Greg Good, Eric Elder, Charles Ford, Chris McSorely, Mark Elliot, Frank Morgan, Mike Mathis.
(row 6) Wayne Mauldin, Jamie Coker, Steve Connelly, Layne Trosper, Russell Jimerson, Mike Duckworth, William Jackson.
(row 7) Coach Bragg, Coach Morris, Coach Weeks, Coach Blair.



"... when we won we won as a team, and when we lost, we lost as a team."
— John Stephens



"I think the coaches did a great job this year ... We couldn't have won any games without their support and coaching."
— Dustin Cannaday

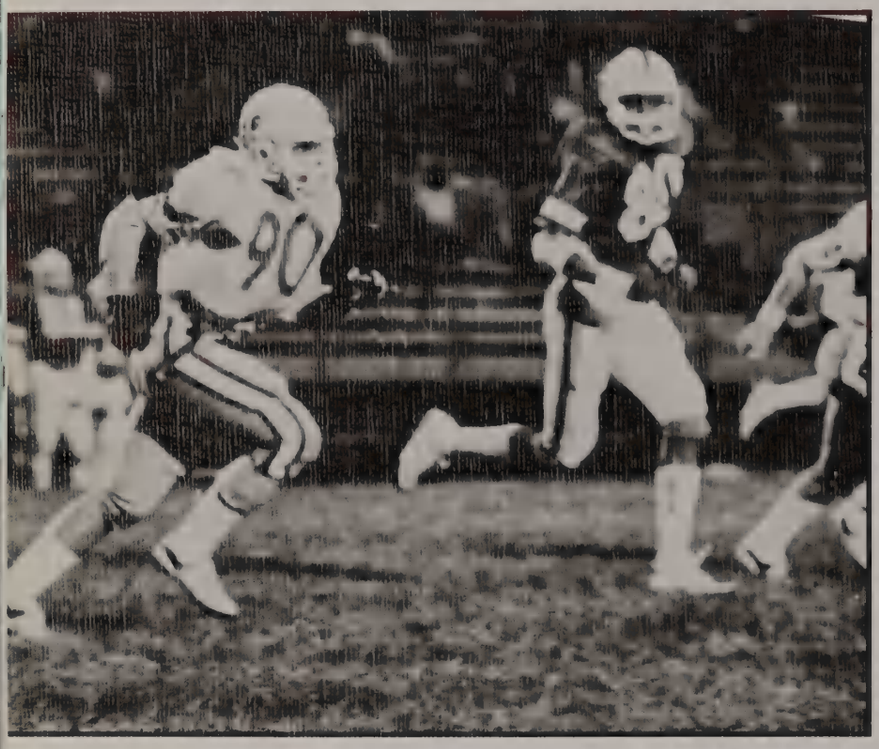


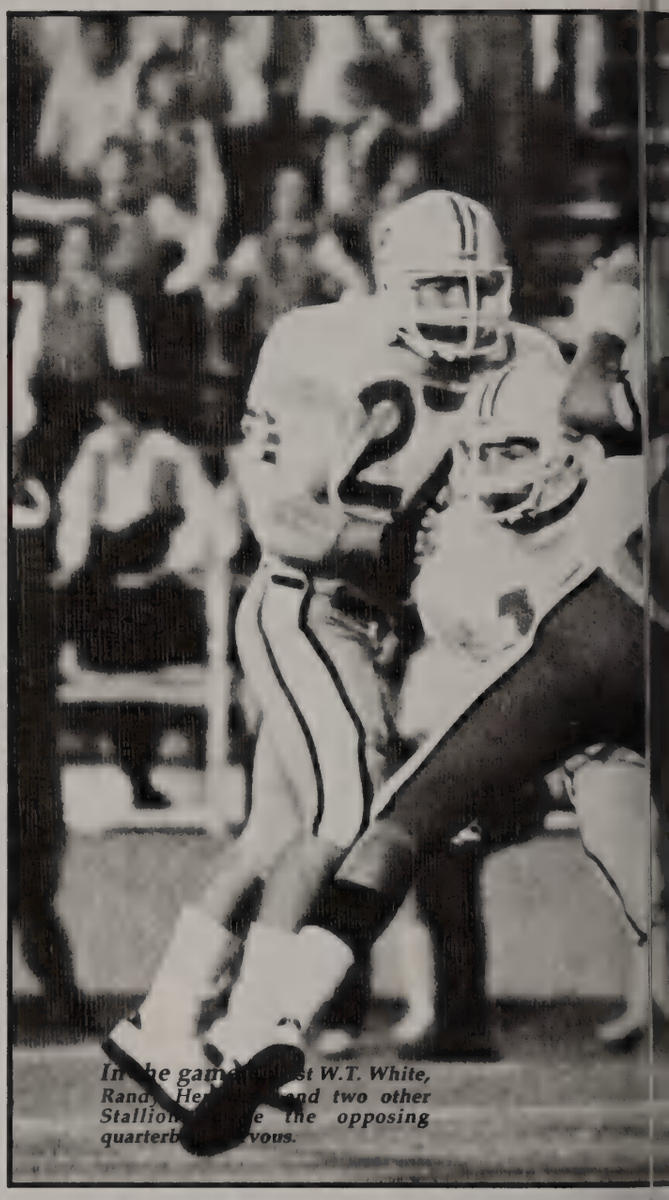
"The main thing that kept the team together was the team's support and the constant pressure to be a better athlete."
— Todd Belshe



At the North Garland game, *senior Paul Teagle makes yet another great kick. During the season, Paul kicked two field goals — one for 50 yards, a school record.*

Racing with the opponent, *Heath Bobo and Darrell Petter set up another successful play.*





In the game against W.T. White, Randy Hernandez and two other Stallions pressure the opposing quarterback.



Senior Sloan Newman *gains yardage as Scott Foster and Greg Hernandez chase off the opponents.*



With two Raiders *close behind, junior David Burgan works his way closer to the endzone.*





Keeping a close eye on the game's activities, Coach Dennis Hall watches as the Stallions make another touchdown.

Stallions Rush for 3,940 While

Burning Up the Yards

Tearin' up the turf! Get out of the way! Hide and watch! This was the attitude of the NM offense during District 9-5A football action, piling up 3,940 yards before it was through.

The Stallions gained enough yardage to make the team the best offensive unit in the state. The team averaged 36 points and rushed 394 yards per game. The Stallions were led by the all-district duo of Mike Collins (1,222 total yards) and Chris Youman (1082 total yards).

Coach Kenny Barnes said, "I've never coached a team that had the killer instinct as this one had. They weren't satisfied just to win. They wanted to completely dominate a team and beat it bad."

The team's first victims were the Samuell Spartans. Mike Collins was four for four in passing. The numbers weren't great but the percentage wasn't bad.

NM converted three Spartan mistakes into first-half touchdowns. The final score was 34-12. Senior Darrell Petter said, "The main thing we had to worry about Samuell was their quickness and speed. So we really had to keep them contained because once in the open field, they were gone."

Before the season began Coach Gary Childress stated, "Mike Collins has the potential to be the best quarterback I've ever coached." Collins proved him right.

The Stallions were picked to lose the Berkner game by three points. NM allowed 298 yards in the first half. and were losing 26-21.

In the second half, however, the Stallions looked like a new team as they held the Rams to only 32 yards and gained 164 yards.

Coach Childress: "At the half, we just got together and talked about what had to be done to eliminate mistakes. We got our poise back and played our type of football game. We tried real hard to give it away in the first half."

The Stallions ran 40 plays to the Rams' 16 yard line in the second half and had 171 yards total offense compared to Berkner's 24. The points Berkner did manage to put up on the scoreboard were provided by NM's four fumbles in the first half. Senior Mike Johnson said, "Coach Childress told us that we'd *better* get it together for the fourth quarter. Coach Barnes said we were always stronger in the fourth quarter because of our conditioning."

The Stallions last pre-season game was against W.T. White at Loos Field.

Being on the Longhorns home turf, most fans would think that they would have the most support, especially since NM fans had to drive for forty-five minutes to get to the field. But NM fans turned out in larger numbers than the Longhorn fans. Lack of support did not help White at all. NM's side was nearly filled, as it was during every game. The Stallions had the Longhorns beat before the first half was over.

Mike Collins scored two touchdowns and ran for 128 yards. He broke a 72-yard run in the third quarter to make the score 35-7. The Stallions gained a total of 426 yards on the ground. The final score was NM 42, White 7.

The team's first district game was played at Williams Stadium. The opponent was Garland. In the first play of the game, Garland returned the game's opening kickoff 87 yards for a touchdown. On the following play, Mike Collins made a 58-yard touchdown pass to Todd Ferrara, who was 15 yards behind the nearest defender. In the first half Collins ran for 148 of his 166 yards and scored two of his three touchdowns. Chris Youman ran 34 yards for a touchdown and set up another score with a 45-yard run. Garland coach Joe Boring said that he believed that NM had the finest offensive line he's played against in a long time.

The defensive line, led by defensive tackle, Sean Gassman, also performed well.

The final score was NM 42, Garland 20.

The next game, against North Garland, set the scene for Homecoming. NM was given a scare at the beginning of the game when North Garland, which

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"The coaches were really dedicated to their team. They worked long hours watching and studying film on our opponents."

— Heath Bobo



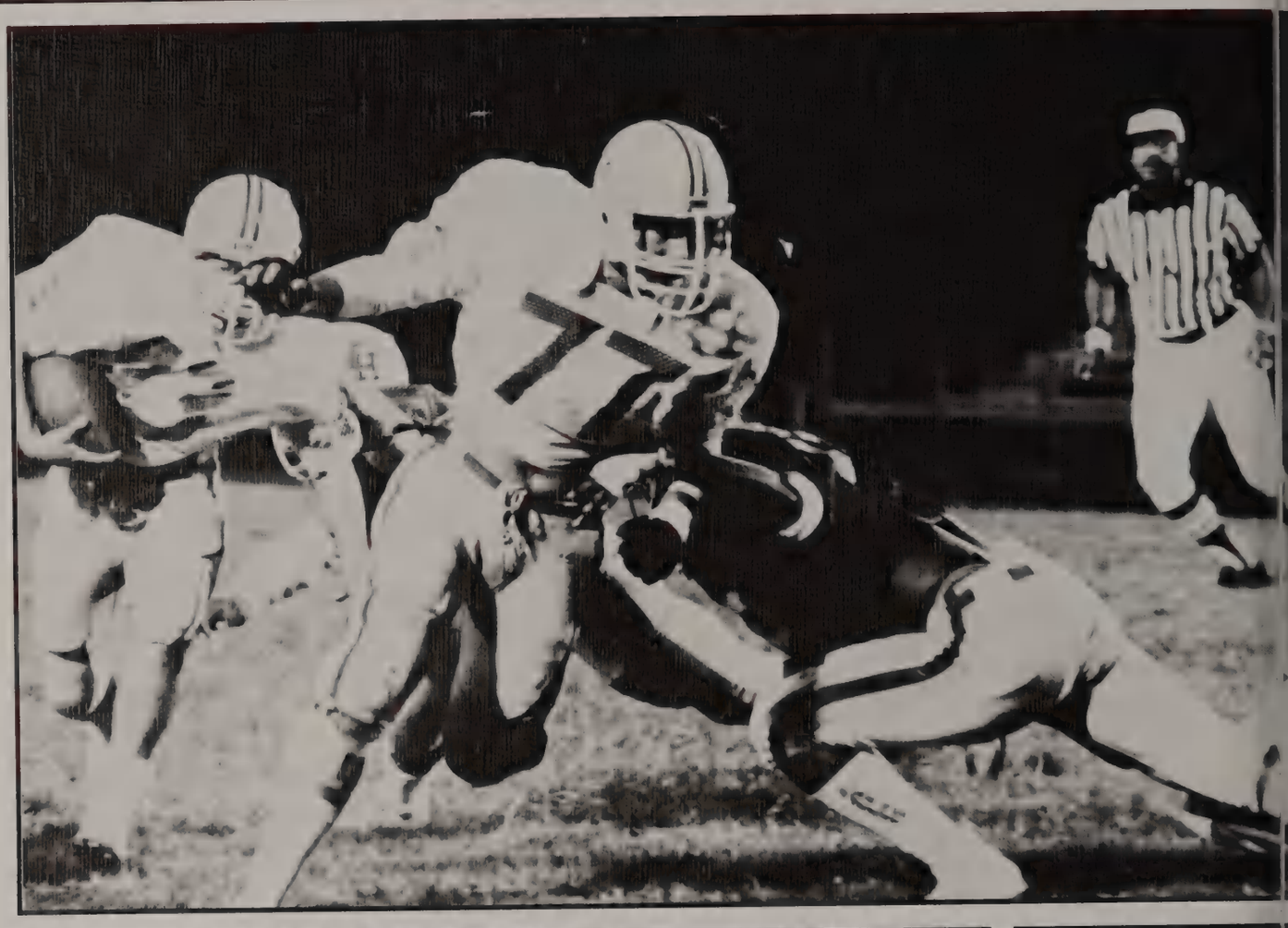
"It felt good to receive the city trophy, but we didn't get to enjoy it because of the coin toss. We were thinking more of District Champs than City Champs."

— Ken Grant



"Our special teams were great. We had a few breakdowns on kickoffs, but we worked hard to improve them."

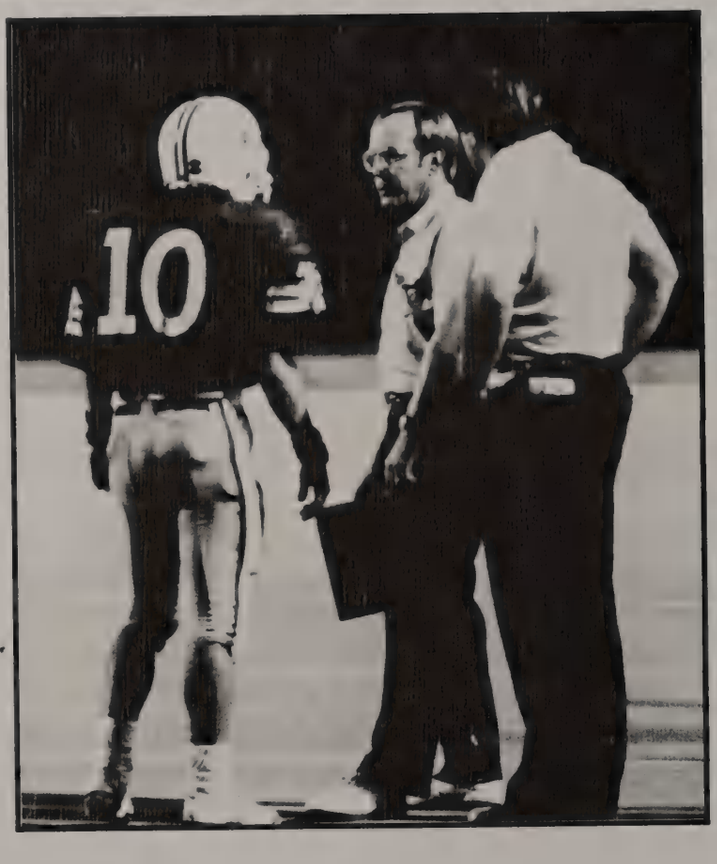
— John Porter





Against the North Garland *Raiders, Sophomore of the Year Brian Gloden takes control of the ball and piles up yardage.*

Being behind *in the first half, Mike Collins gets some helpful advice from coaches Gary Childress and Price Clifford. The Stallions came from behind to win the game.*





Elated *that the Stallions pu together to win against Berk Paul Cannaday displays h happiness.*

Burning Up the Yards

vas winless last year, took an arly lead.

The Raiders jumped in ront with two big plays to ake a 13-0 first quarter lead. Iowever, North Garland ouldn't keep up its momenum as the team sputtered to 40-19 loss.

When asked how he felt hen North Garland scored n the first play of the game, rent Fisher said, "The feelg was lousy. It is hard to et psyched-up for a team ke North Garland. It was st a shock but we hung gether as a team and ounced back."

At this point, NM was tied th Nimitz for fifth place in e *Dallas Times Herald* poll.

Later on in the game, a orth Garland punt attempt as blocked by Heath Bobo. e blocked ball was bouncig around the Raider 15-yrd line when an NM ayer kicked the ball into e endzone where John bert recovered it for six ints. The touchdown was disputed by the Raider coaches who thought the ball was intentionally kicked into the endzone, but to no avail.

Paul Teagle added field goals of 23 and 50 yards to give the Stallions a 33-13 third quarter lead. The Owls then scored on a one-yard run. Collins then scored with an 11-yard touchdown run with 57 seconds left in the game.

South Garland was the Stallions next victim. Gary Joe Kinne made 21 tackles. Thirteen of them were solos, while the remaining eight were assists. This game was considered to be NM's best defensive effort and only shut-out. The final score was 28-0.

Then it was on to Wilmer for a bout with the Eagles. Going into the game, the Eagles led the area in rushing defense, allowing only 70 yards per game. However, the Stallions changed all of that by rolling up 436 yards rushing and had 12 penetrations on 12 possessions.

"... everything just went right for us," said Coach Gary Childress. This victory moved NM into the number two spot in the *Dallas Times Herald* poll. Four Stallion rushers gained more than 50 yards and two rushed for more than 100. The Stallions dominated the Eagles before a crowd of 5000, mostly NM fans.

Fullback Chris Youman had 147 yards and one touchdown. Mike Collins had 132 yards with two rushing scores and a touchdown pass. Fullback Brian Gloden had 76 yards and a touchdown.

The Stallions defense was led by Jim Dennis, Sean Gassman, Jeff Feinglass, Heath Bobo, and Gary Joe Kinne. They held Wilmer to 173 yards. The final score was NM 41, Wilmer 6.

The Stallions then had their first and only loss of the season, Highland Park.

HP took control of the line of scrimmage, and the game, early by putting together two long touchdown drives on its only two possessions of the first half to take a 13-7 lead. The Scots continued to dominate in the third quarter, driving 72 yards before fumbling on the Stallion eight-yard line. The Stallion defense did not stop HP until midway through the fourth quarter.

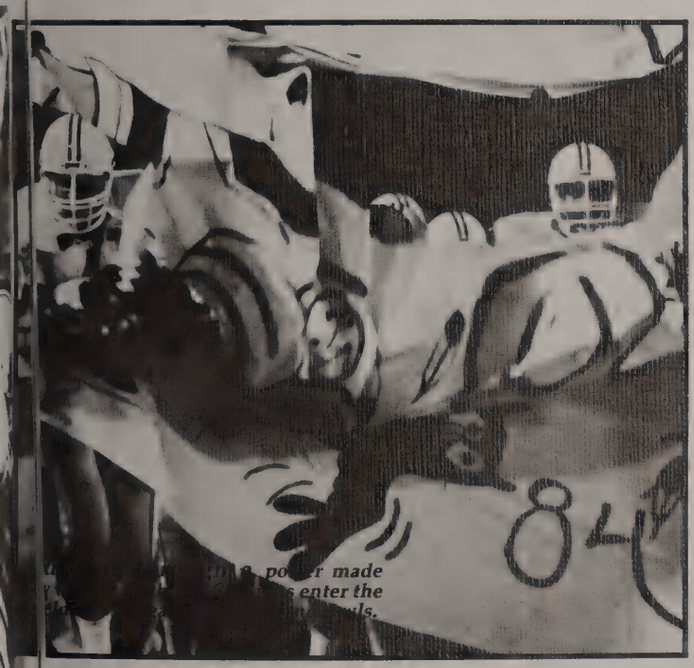
"We were beat by the offensive line. HP was calling audibles and reading the defense. They ran where we weren't," Kyle Tribble, senior commented.

Coach Kenny Barnes said, "They [HP] began practicing for the game with us during their spring training of last year."

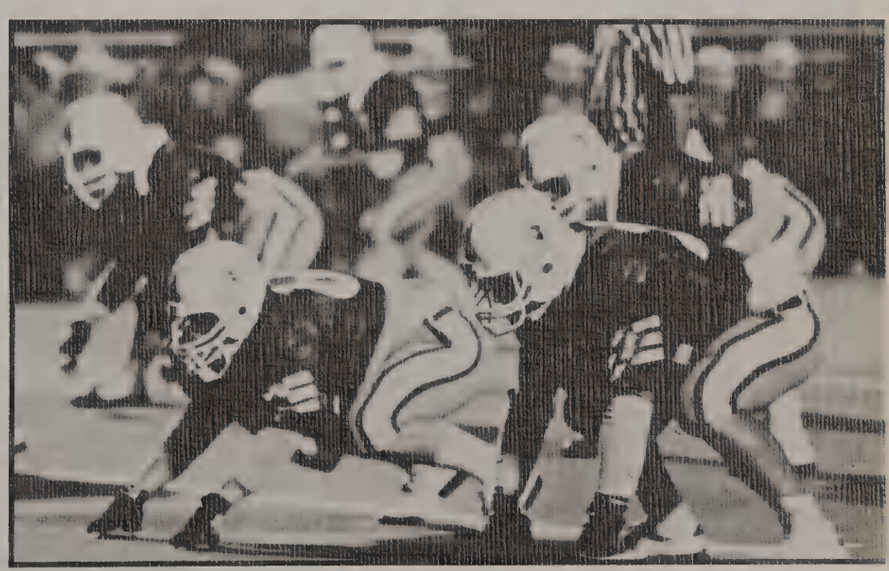
"We just got whipped," remarked Mike Johnson.

The Stallions were then off to Garland Memorial Stadium for a contest with Lakeview. NM took out its

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power made enter the



Competing against** South Garland, **the Stallions pull off a shut-out, 28-0.



"The team this year was the best in NM's history. Though the record may not show it, we'll always know it's true."
— Joe Ward



"... there should be a better way to decide who goes to the playoffs ... the players don't have anything to do with a coin flip. They should go by what the teams did all year on the field."
— Mike Collins



"I think for the most part, the team had a common goal. And when a team has a common goal, they become a very close, dedicated group."
— Gary Joe Kinne

Burning Up the Yards

frustrations obtained during the HP game by defeating Lakeview 35-17.

Mike Collins rushed 129 yards on 15 carries.

NM came into the game against Mesquite needing three yards to go over the 3,000 yard mark in rushing for the year. They got 402.

NM's offensive and defensive lines dominated the game, allowing the Stallions to rush for 317 more yards than Mesquite. The Stallions also doubled the amount of first downs that Mesquite had. NM had 20, and Mesquite had 10.

Early in the game, Mesquite discovered from the first possession that they couldn't run against the Stallions. After three running plays, the Skeeters had gained only eight yards and were punting.

The Stallions picked up the punt at the 40 yard line, and after eight plays put the ball into the endzone. Paul Teagle's extra point made the score 7-0.

During the Stallions next possession, 54 yards were picked up until a Mesquite player recovered Youman's fumble at the four. However, Mesquite had to punt after three downs.

Throughout the entire game, the Stallion defense held Mesquite to only 85 yards rushing.

The victory over Mesquite left the Stallions with a 9-1 record, tied for first place in the district with Highland Park and Wilmer.

Then came the infamous coin toss. Immediately after the games were completed, the three coaches met at the Circle Grid Cafe to decide who would go to the playoffs. All three coaches flipped a coin. Wilmer-Hutchins was the odd-man, making the Eagles the district champions. NM and HP then flipped to decide who would go to the playoffs as the second place representative. NM lost, and for the second year missed out on the playoffs through a tie-breaking procedure.

Coach Gary Childress said, "It [coin] hit the ceiling, I called tails. Then it hit the floor — it was heads."

"I feel that the way they chose the teams was very immature, and they should have picked a more sophisticated way to choose the teams that will go into the playoffs," Brian Gloden commented. But it was over

Honors were given to: 1st Team All-District Offense: Mike Collins, Chris Youman, Paul Cannaday, Kyle Tribble, Joe Ward; 2nd Team All-District Offense: Ken Grant, Grant Gaultney, Paul Teagle.

Players chosen for 1st Team All-District Defense were Sean Gassman, Gary Joe Kinne, Heath Bobo, Troy Crawford; 2nd Team Defense was Diron Hitt.

Brian Gloden received Sophomore of the Year, and Gary Joe Kinne was awarded Defensive Player of the Year. Mike Collins received Offensive Player of the Year.

Honorable Mention awards went to Todd Ferrara, Lewis Griffin, Trevor Nelson, Brian Fitzgerald, Darrell Petter, and Lance Williams.







***Coach Gary Childress** gives out orders to his winning football team.*

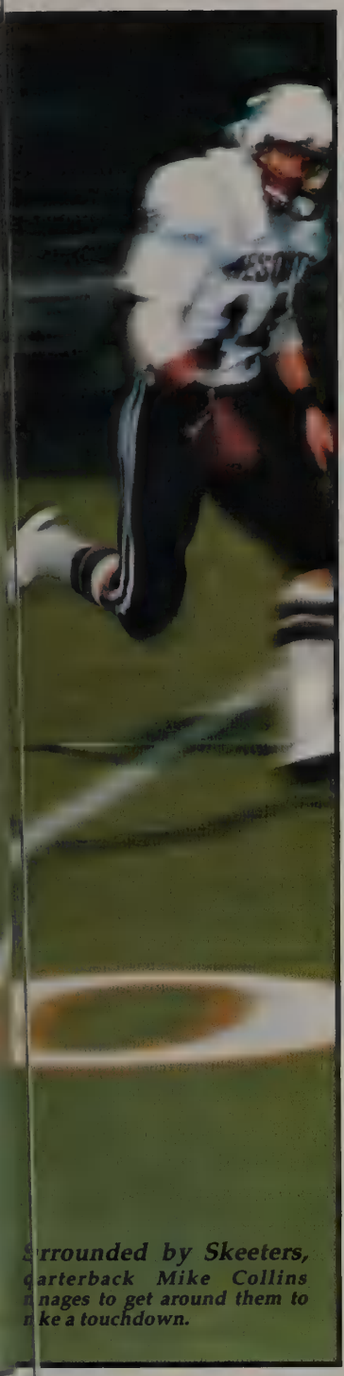
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Season Record

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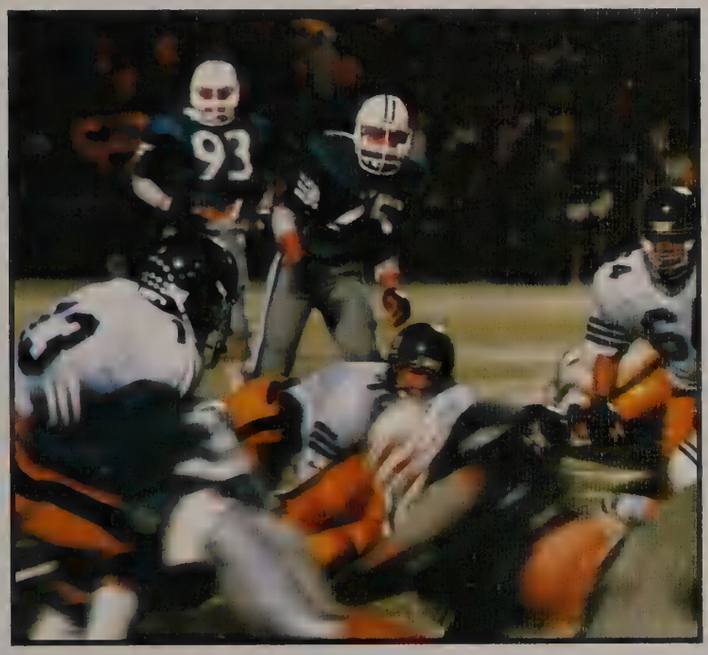
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Varsity football team members are: *(row 1)* Brian King (Tr), Keith Higginbothum (TR), Mike Collins, Lance Williams, Kyle Houpt, Brian Fitzgerald, Larry Holland, Paul Teagle, Trent Speaker, Todd Ferrara, Dean Andrews (TR), Monty Brown (TR); *(row 2)* Phillip Doane, Mike Austin, Darrell Petter, Brad Winkfein, Randy Hendrix, David Burgan, Joel Weeks, Greg Hernandez, Pete Manichiaccia, Scott Austin (MGR), John Edwards (MGR); *(row 3)* Sloan Newman, Troy Crawford, John Clower, Dennis Arnold, Jim Dennis, Gary Joe Kinne, Brain Gloden, Chris Youman, Greg Tapp, Alan Warta; *(row 4)* Trevor Nelson, Bill Morris, Donnie Lancaster, Tim McKenzie, Jeff Feinglass, Mike Bohn, Jimmy Blair, Adam Otero, John Porter; *(row 5)* Dale Wilkins, Kyle Tribble, Ken Grant, Mike Johnson, Joe Ward, David Farris, Sean Gassman, Grant Gaultney, Brent Fisher, Charles DuBose; *(row 6)* John Scott, Lewis Griffin, Paul Cannaday, Scott Foster, Steve Barker, Heath Bobo, John Gilbert, Diron Hitt; *(row 7)* coaches: Carl Jackson, Bill Taylor, Price Clifford, Randy Barnes, Kenny Barnes, Weldon Swann, Dennis Hart, Claude Tarver, Gary Childress.



Surrounded by Skeeters, *quarterback Mike Collins manages to get around them to make a touchdown.*





Against Highland Park, *the defensive line sacks the quarterback as All-District players Diron Hitt and Sean Gassman look on.*



Playing in the puddles, *the offense gets ready to pile up yards and points.*

Volleyball



At a JV match, *Lisa Rash, Kristi Lawbaugh, and Leigh Ellis struggle for control of the ball.*

On all floor, *Michelle Furr wonders how she got down there.*





One of three seniors, *Robles is happy about the thoug of going to Regionals.*

"Coach Deaton's the best! She worked us to death, but it was fun and all worth it. She really cares for us and that makes all the difference."
— Eva Robles



"Our strongest points were the facts that we were good friends, like a big family, and when we knew we had to hustle, we did just that!"
— Nanny Stutts



"The team had a strong desire to win and really played together as a team instead of six individuals."
— Kristy Williams



P•O•I•N•T•S

of Interest
JV District Record
13-1

		NM
Wilmer	1	2
H. Park	0	2
Garland	0	2
Lakeview	0	2
N. Garland	0	2
Mesquite	0	2
S. Garland	0	2
Wilmer	2	1
H. Park	1	2
Garland	0	2
Mesquite	1	2
S. Garland	0	2

P•O•I•N•T•S

of Interest
Freshman Record
3-6

		NM
Richardson	2	0
Nimitz	0	2
DeSoto	2	0
Duncanville	2	0
L. Highlands	2	0
N. Garland	1	2
W. Mesquite	2	0
Mesquite	0	2
Denison	2	0

Netters Make Playoffs an

Annual Event



Preparing for action, ***Nanny Stutts is ready for anything.***

Ever wonder what comes around once a year, every year, without fail? Is it Christmas? Thanksgiving? Could it be New Year's? No, it's something that is more exciting to a particular group of athletes here at NM.

Every year for the past four years the varsity volleyball team has been in the playoffs.

Senior Nanny Stutts commented, "I think we showed ourselves that all we needed was the will to win. Then we had to 'gut it out' when it came time. Never were we able to 'lay back and camp out' on the court."

The team got off to a good start by winning its first three pre-season games against Richardson, Nimitz, and DeSoto. The first loss of the season went to Duncanville on the opponent's home turf.

In the first two district games of the season, the Stallions defeated Wilmer 15-13, 16-14; and Highland Park 15-9; 15-8. The girls then traveled to Garland where they suffered their first district loss to the Owls 15-17, 15-1, 11-15.

Prior to competing in the Duncanville Tourney, the Stallions easily blew away Lakeview, 15-0, 15-11. The Stallions had a minor setback at the Duncanville Tourney, losing both matches against Ellison and Anderson.

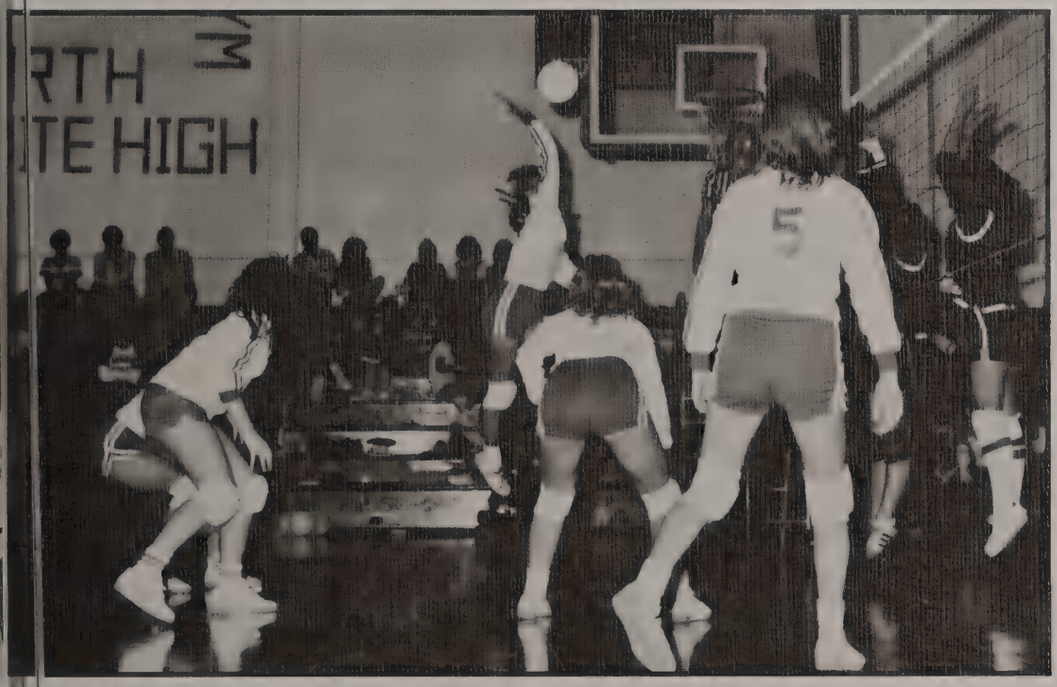
Getting back into district play, the team fought hard in the next two games, defeating North Garland 15-3, 15-12; and Mesquite 8-15, 15-9, 15-13.

Participating in yet another tournament, North Mesquite defeated Dunbar 15-13, 17-15 in the North Lake Tourney. During the second game; however, the Stallions were defeated by South Garland 15-7, 9-15, 14-16. The team then came back to defeat O.D. Wyatt 15-9, 15-6. The Stallions lost their last game of the season to Wilmer 15-11, 14-16, 15-12.

The Netters then went on a seven-match winning streak. They started out by beating South Garland in a close match, 15-11, 14-16, 15-12. Wilmer was the Stallions' next victims, winning 15-8, 12-15, 15-3.

Against Highland Park, one of NM's fiercest rivals, the Stallions won 15-11, 4-15, 15-10. The team took home another four victories against Garland, Lakeview,

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The varsity team ***slams it to the unsuspecting South Garland rivals.***

Annual Event

North Garland, and Mesquite.

The team then went on to participate in the North Lake Tourney. The Stallions won the first match against Dunbar 15-13, 17-15. They then went on to lose against South Garland in a close match 15-7, 9-15, 14-16. The next two matches were won against O.D. Wyatt with a final loss to Wilmer.

The team then resumed district play with a seven-match winning streak, losing only to South Garland 15-13, 4-15, 14-16. This put the Stallions in first place in the district.

Eva Robles, senior, said, "After beating Mesquite for the district championship, we knew then that we were on our way reaching our goal of the regional playoffs."

The team then played SOC and won the bi-district playoffs, 15-8, 15-8.

Lewisville was the Stallions' next victims as the team took home the area title 4-15, 15-12, 15-10. The girls lost the regional title to Cypress Fairbanks. the final season record being 20 wins and 10 losses.

Yolanda Lopez, sophomore, commented, "Our student body really supported us throughout our season. It really encouraged us to play well with our supporters watching."

The freshman team had more of a learning season, finishing with three wins and six losses. The JV team ended the season with 15 wins and 10 losses.

The annual volleyball banquet, sponsored by the booster club, was held at Old Spaghetti Warehouse in downtown Dallas on February 12. Nanny Stutts was the Mistress of Ceremonies. Kim Williams and Kristi Lawbaugh introduced the freshman and sophomore team members, respectively.

Sophia Stutts continued the night's activities by summing up the JV season. Eva Robles then proceeded to introduce the varsity team, and Kristy Williams summarized the season.

Coach Deaton presented the various awards, and the senior members made their last wills and testaments. The evening ended with a closing prayer given by Penny Armstrong.

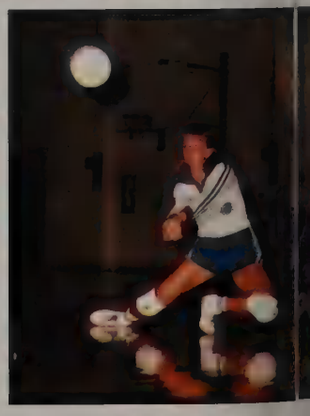
"The amount of support from the fans was greater than the past years. We really appreciated the support of the crowd, and when it came to crucial points of the game, the crowd helped push us the rest of the way," said junior Penny Armstrong.

Sophomore Carol Ashmore said, "The season went better than I expected. This was our rebuilding year and nobody thought we'd get very far. But we proved them wrong."





With much intensity, *Coach Deaton gives out some of her coaching advice while Yolanda Lopez and other team members listen.*



Showing her skill, *1st t All-District winner Kri Williams returns the ball i match against Mesquite.*



***In a match against Wilmer-Hutchins,** senior Eva Robles gets the ball over the net as Penny Armstrong and Kristy Williams look on.*

of Interest
Varsity District Record
12-2

		NM
Wilmer	0	2
H. Park	0	2
Garland	2	1
Lakeview	0	2
N. Garland	0	2
Mesquite	1	2
S. Garland	1	2
Wilmer	1	2
H. Park	1	2
Garland	1	2
Lakeview	0	2
N. Garland	0	2
Mesquite	0	2
S. Garland	2	1
*SOC	0	2
*Lewisville	0	2
*Cypress Fairbanks	2	0

*playoffs

Varsity team members are: *(row 1)* Penny Armstrong, Nanny Stutts, Kristy Williams, Eva Robles, Michelle Shero; *(row 2)* Coach Debbie Deaton, Carol Ashmore, Michelle Furr, Dorinda Armstrong, Yolanda Lopez, and Stephanie Davis.







JV team members include: *(row 1)* Sofia Stutts, Kristi Lawbaugh, Susan Blaylock, Monica Mendez, Britain Willis; *(row 2)* Coach Debbie Deaton, Lisa Rash, Michelle Thomas, Melissa Kay, Leslie Mariott, and Teri Brown.

Freshman team members include: *(row 1)* Teri Hernandez, Leigh Ellis, Jennifer Davis, Tonya Youngman, Suezan Miller, Amanda McPherson; *(row 2)* Coach Debbie Deaton, Erin Mattingly, Rachel Oliver, Darla Blackman, Kara Essman, Kim Williams, Melanie Shuttleworth, and Heather Montgomery.

Lack of Defense, Critical Moments, High-Powered Opposing Teams, Caused the Boys Basketball Team to Yield to

Pressure Points

The boys varsity basketball team had a disappointing season. They did not make the playoffs. They did, however, win 22 games, defeating Wilmer Hutchins three times.

The team played many high-powered opponents, with five of the teams in the district ranked in the top 20 in the states, causing them to end the season without going to the playoffs.

The Stallions began their district season against the Garland Owls. This game didn't go well for the team. Senior Jeff Gloden said, "One of the lower points of the season was the first part of district when it looked like we were going to lose most of our games after playing Garland the first time." The Stallions lost, 60-52.

Against the Lakeview Patriots, however, the Stallions came back with a victory, 69-58.

Downhill again, the team lost to the South Garland Colonels by a close score of 54-56. The team then suffered another defeat, losing to Highland Park, 43-50.

But those losses weren't going to keep the team from getting it together again. The Stallions proceeded to earn victories over Wilmer-Hutchins, 53-50, their cross-town rivals, Mesquite, 58-44, and North Garland, 61-50.

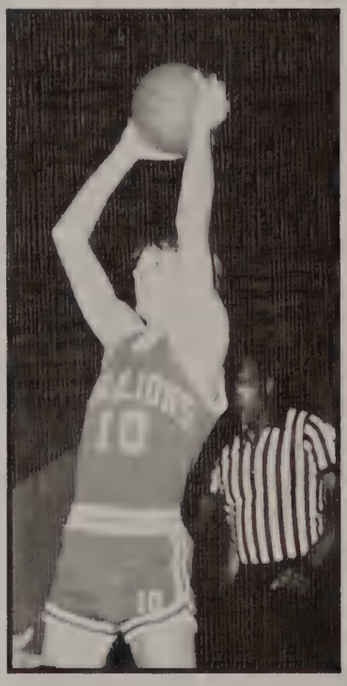
Their winning streak stopped there, however, as the Stallions lost to the Garland Owls, in the second round of district play, 50-53. The team came back to blow away Lakeview, 72-54.

The Stallions lost yet another game to South Garland, 60-80. The Colonels sank 73 percent of their free throws and 74 percent of their field goal attempts. This left the Stallions 5-5 in District 9-5A play with only four games remaining. There were four teams, including the Owls with an 8-2 record.

During the game against the Colonels, the Stallions had numerous fouls called against them. The starters, Donnell Hayden, Miles Haberer, and Jeff Gloden were fouled out before the game ended. NM had a total of 26 fouls.

After trailing at halftime, 37-20, the Stallions atempted

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***Delayne Dona** passes the ball to one of his teammates.*

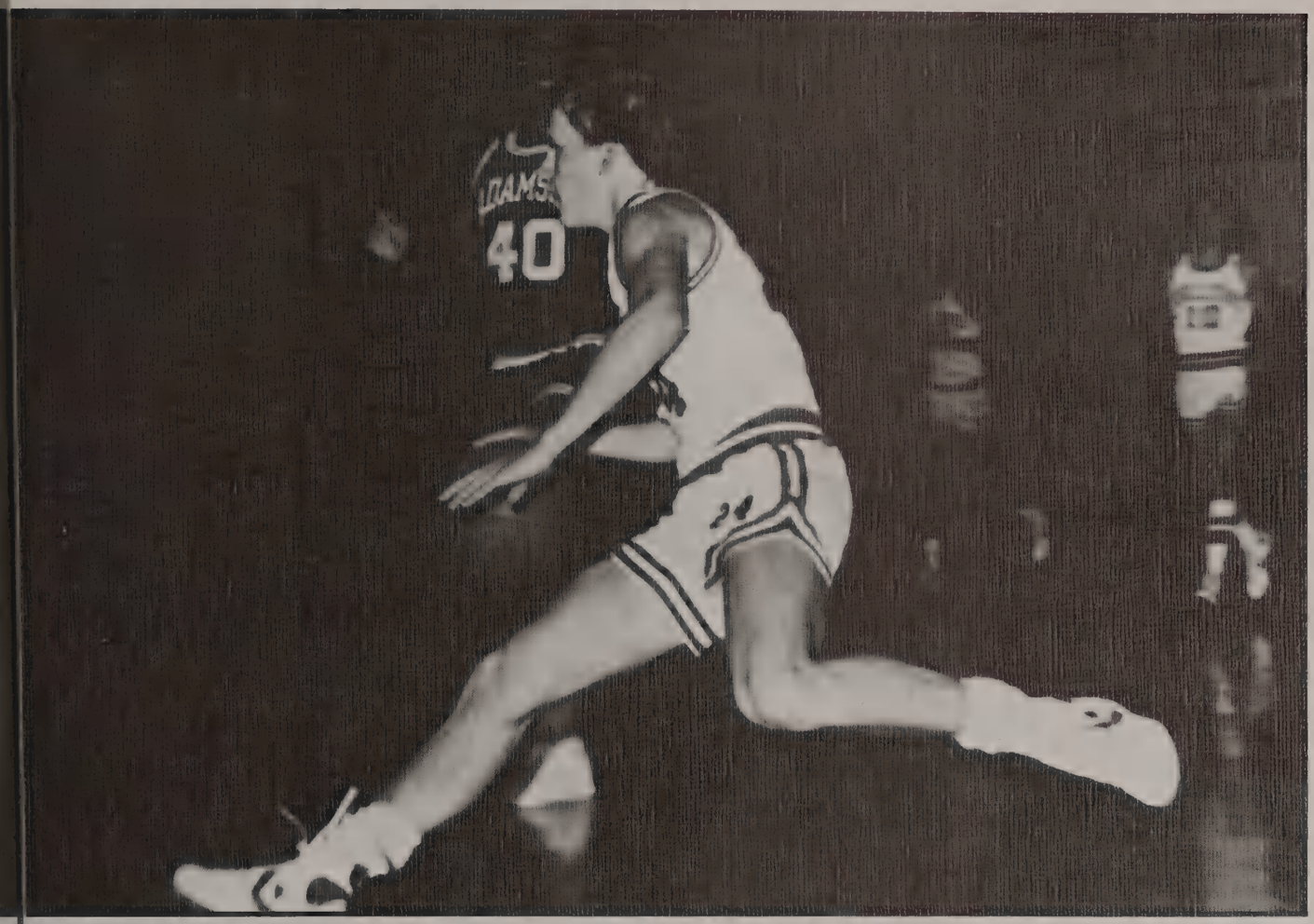
***Against Wilmer,** Delayne Dona prepares to get past an Eagle.*

***Seniors, Jeff Gloden** and Gary Joe Kinne await the ball's return to the floor.*

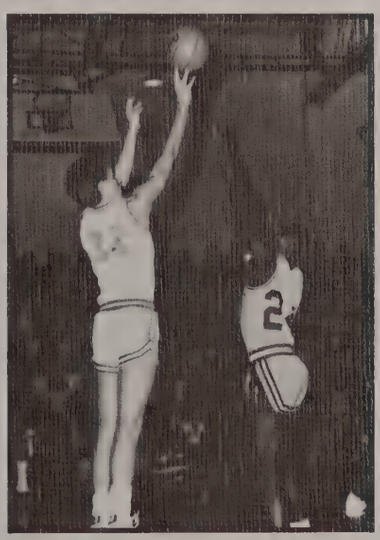
***On the home court,** Chris Terry races to the net.*











Chris Terry *slides past an Adamson player on his way to a layup the Stallions won 70-36.*

Miles Haberer *takes one of his patented jump shots against Garland. NM lost by 3 points.*

Donnell Hayden *reaches for a rebound against Adamson.*



"The strongest point of our team is our full court press and Miles' shooting."
— Jeff Gloden



"We didn't play a team that was better than us. I feel we just didn't always play to the best of our ability."
— Miles Haberer



"Our strongest point was our bench. When you have Paul "Mailman" Cannaday and myself coming off the bench, that can only help your team."
— Chris Phelps

of Interest
District Record
8-6
Season Record
22-10

NM		
52	Garland	60
69	Lakeview	58
54	S. Garland	56
43	H. Park	50
53	Wilmer	50
58	Mesquite	44
61	N. Garland	50
50	Garland	53
72	Lakeview	54
60	S. Garland	80
59	H. Park	55
69	Mesquite	49
60	Wilmer	55
58	N. Garland	52

Basketball managers are: *(row 1)* Debbie Edmundson, Melonie McGill, Holli Holbrook; *(row 2)* Michelle Bentley, Missy Skaggs.



In a game against Plano, *Donnell Hayden shoots the ball while Jeff Gloden closes for a rebound.*







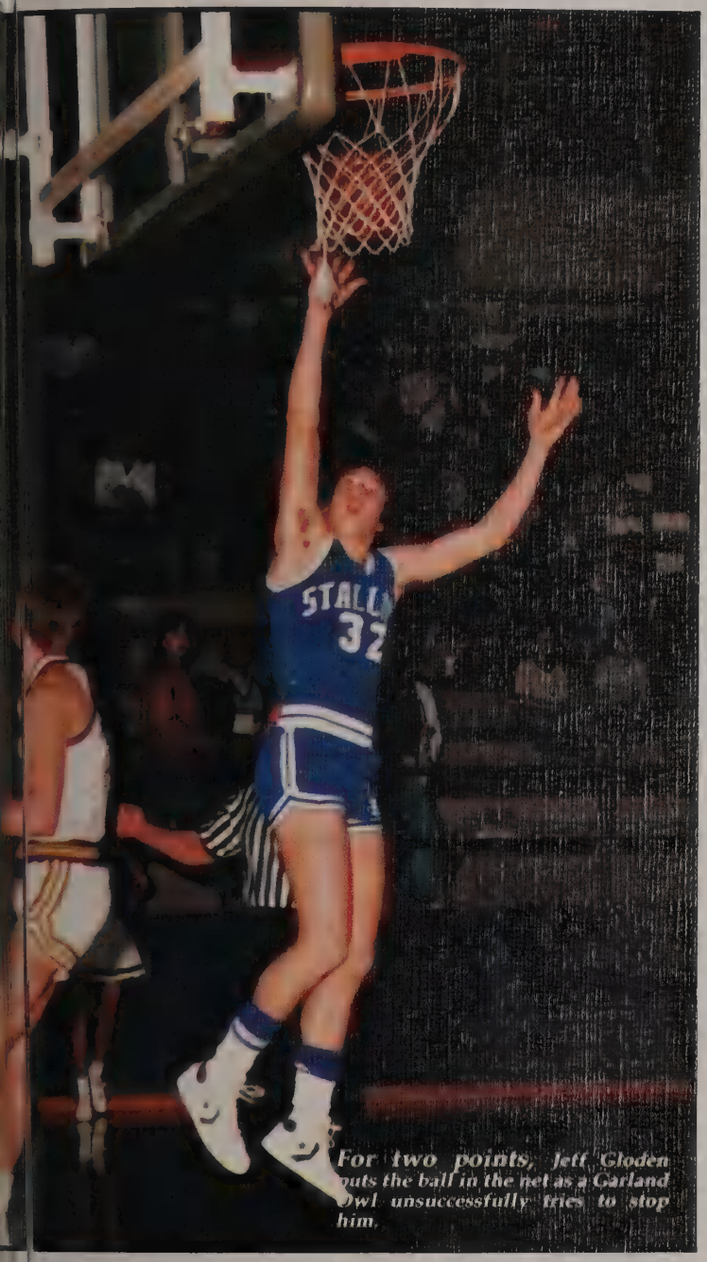
Varsity basketball team members are: *Delayne Dona, Donnell Hayden, Paul Cannaday, Jeff Gloden, Miles Haberer, Barton Spivey, Robby Duck, Gary Joe Kinne, Chris Phelps, Chris Terry, James Delay, and Mark Scott.*

With Mark Scott standing behind them, *Coach Powell and Coach Harris discuss the stragedy is in the game.*





With the style *of a pro, Miles Haberer proceeds to shoot for two.*



For two points, *Jeff Gloden puts the ball in the net as a Garland Owl unsuccessfully tries to stop him.*

Pressure Points cont.

to come back in the second half. The team got as close as 58-47 with 6:30 remaining in the game. Miles Haberer and Donnell Hayden led the Stallions in scoring with 13 points apiece. Delayne Dona and Jeff Gloden had eight, and Gary Joe Kinne, Chris Terry, and Barton Spivey scored two each.

The Stallions defeated Highland Park in the next game, 59-55. This hurt HP's playoff chances and left NM's District 9-5A record at 6-5.

HP was ahead going into the fourth quarter, 40-39. Miles Haberer contributed 23 points, Donnell Hayden added 14, and Delayne Dona, four.

The team beat the Mesquite Skeeters, defeating them 69-49. Wilmer and North Garland were the Stallions last two victims, as NM won 60-55, respectively.

Miles Haberer commented, "The season went pretty well. It could have been better. It could have been worse. We won 22 games."

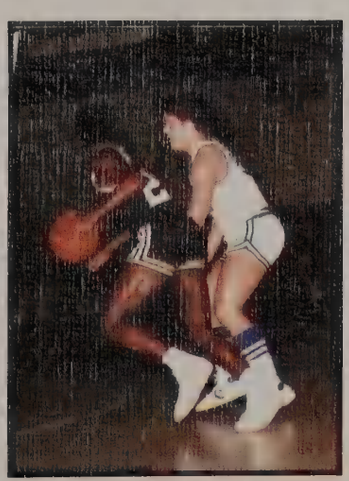
Junior Chris Terry stated, "The Arlington Classic was probably the high point of the season. We beat two teams that were ranked in the top ten in the area and then lost to number one ranked South Oak Cliff by only three points."

Chris Phelps, senior, added, "We played everyone in our district hard. They had more talent in many of the games, but we came to play every night."

"The season went okay, but we lacked in team play," said Jeff Gloden.

Miles Haberer received the honor of being named to the 1st Team All-District. Donnell Hayden was selected for 2nd team All-District, while Delayne Dona received Honorable Mention.





Against Plano, *Miles Haberer goes up to dominate the ball as his teammates help out.*

Senior Gary Joe *Kinne gives the opponent a difficult time going down the court.*

P•O•I•N•T•S

of Interest
Season Record
9-4
Freshman White

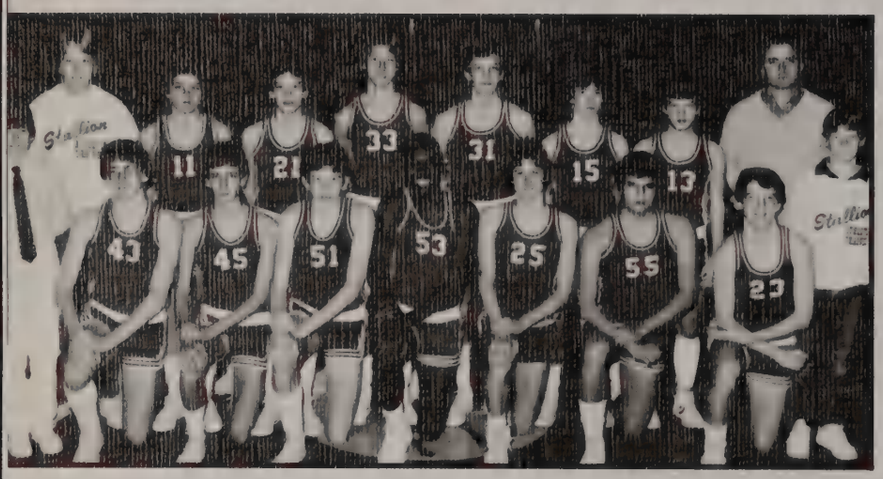
NM		
47	Garland	39
62	Lakeview "A"	58
60	S. Garland B	65
75	Highland Park	40
84	Mesquite B	24
51	Wilmer A	65
62	North Garland B	49
55	Garland A	59
94	Lakeview B	52
66	Highland Park	51
77	Mesquite A	64
60	Wilmer ■	53
42	North Garland	48

P•O•I•N•T•S

of Interest
Season Record
10-3
Freshman Blue

NM		
37	Garland	36
69	Lakeview	48
52	South Garland	55
57	Highland Park	58
50	Mesquite	57
54	Wilmer Hutchins	46
54	North Garland	41
59	Garland	27
73	Lakeview	43
60	Highland Park	39
57	Mesquite	35
81	Wilmer Hutchins	36
46	North Garland	40

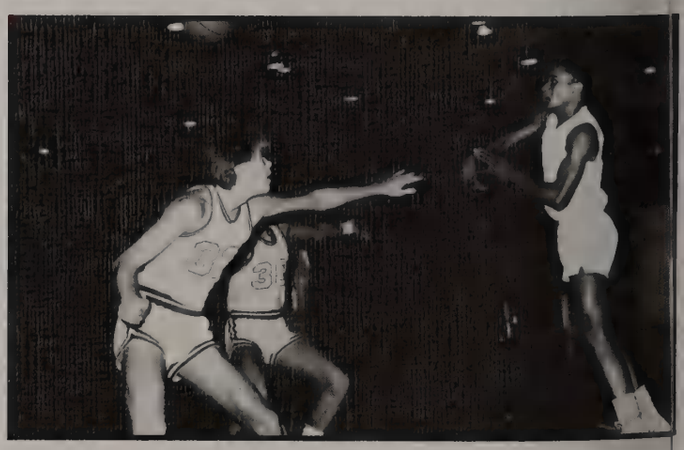






Freshman White Basketball:
Sitting: Scott Paugh, Johnny Ball, Brian Sagraves, Chris Corder, John Dunn, *Kneeling:* T. Donahue, Koy Johnson, Robbie Vaughn, Brian Tullos, Troy Kane, Javier Hudson, *Standing:* P. Chapa, Brian Nabors, Ernie Roe, J. C. Colwill, Mark Jones, W. Cunningham, Coach Barnes.

Freshman Blue Basketball:
Kneeling: Trent Donahue, Mike Duckworth, Damon Wilson, Keith Hopkins, Billy Ransom, Lee Doolin, Norton Diaz, Chris Ziuney, Wesley Cunningham *Standing:* Damon Carter, Jeff Ausbrook, Rusty Rodgers, Steve Killingsworth, Steve Gillispie, James Dunn, David Wilcox, Coach Weeks.



***Paul Sharp** tries to block a throw from the Wilmer Hutchins team.*





***Jace Houston** blocks for a rebound against Wilmer Hutchins*

***Jace Houston** shoots for two points*



of Interest

NM		
49	Garland	45
47	Lakeview	41
37	South Garland	40
27	Highland Park	46
50	Wilmer Hutchins	56
44	Mesquite	27
43	North Garland	49
44	Garland	57
51	Lakeview	68
33	Highland Park	40
37	Mesquite	39
61	Wilmer Hutchins	73
40	North Garland	36

JV Basketball: *Kneeling* — Vance Stembers, Andy Stachowick, Paul Sharp, Jace Houston, William Watson, Joe Hubik *Standing* — Coach Tim Harris, Paul Mendoza, Forrest Scott, Darren Isbell, David Sifuentes, Julie Powers



Boys JV, Frosh, Basketball Teams Learn

Basic Basketball

"The team had a very positive attitude. Everyone was willing to learn and we had team unity," said Billy Ransom.

Even though every member of the team strived to do good and become the best athlete he could some could not play because of House Bill 72. As Johnny Ball put it, "House Bill 72 made us work harder because if you don't pass, you are out for the whole six weeks. That is practically the whole season." Rusty Rodgers said, "I do not feel it hurt our team because all of us were good students anyway."

A good team does not only consist of talented players but of good coaches. A good coach is an asset to any team. As James Dunn explained, "I think our coaches are so good because they like to win, they like to see us win even if they have to push us, they will do it. They are also good because they have had previous experience in the game." Or as Brian Nobors said, "They take pride in what they are doing."

Almost everyone agreed that South Garland was the toughest team to play. Steve Gillispie said, "They were well coached and we did not think we needed any practice because we thought we could beat them. We were well coached too, but it came down to that they were a better team." Norton Diaz commented, "They had big players and excellent shooters. They were very aggressive every minute."

Billy Ransom had a different outlook on who was the most competive team. He said, "I think North Garland was because they would not let us get started into our regular game plan. They were so "scrappy" and we were so "big headed" we almost gave them the game."

Hard work and discipline are two of the major factors for a good team. Billy Ransom stated, "I think all the people who remained in basketball and are going to move up to higher levels will really contribute for the simple fact of "a little talent, desire, dedication, defense, and determination."

The Freshman Blue team ended the year with a district record of 10-3. The Freshman White team ended with a district record of 9-4 and the JV team finished with a 4-9 record.



"If you had a problem on a play, the coaches would take their time and instruct the play step by step."
— Norton Diaz



"House Bill 72 made us concentrate on our grades as well as basketball."
— Ernie Roe



"We all were after one thing, to win. Then, later in the season we wanted to be strong contenders in the State Tournament."
— Andy Stachowiak

Being guarded by Garland Owl, Terri Porter goes up for two as Pam Hiller assists.

Taking a break in the action, coaches Donna Capps and Phyllis Reed discuss the remainder of the game.

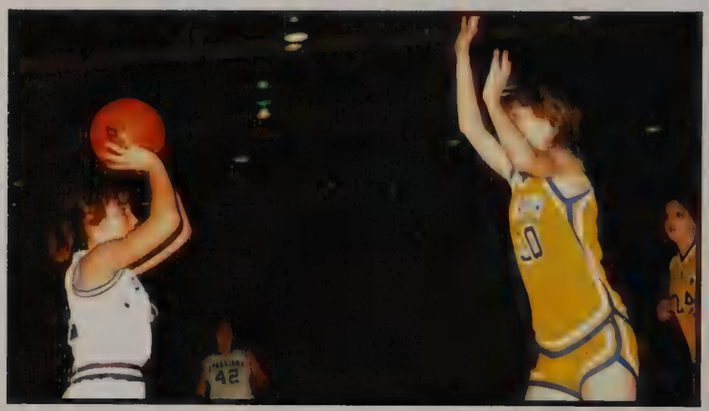






Keeping the opponent from passing, junior Debbie Prater blocks a Lakeview Patriot.

Sophomore Diana Dona fakes out a Lakeview player.



Shooting for two points, Dina Garcia proceeds to get the ball in the net.



P•O•I•N•T•S

of Interest
District Record
9-3

NM		
67	Wilmer	83
44	N. Garland	35
51	Garland	49
60	Lakeview	50
71	S. Garland	35
53	Mesquite	34
51	Wilmer	68
53	N. Garland	44
43	Garland	39
54	Lakeview	55
56	S. Garland	45
45	Mesquite	28
42	*SOC	52

*playoff

***Putting the ball in** the hoop, Marla Wycoff adds another two points against the Garland Owls.*



Members of the girl's varsity basketball team are: Carol Ashmore, Diana Dona, Debbie Prater, Terri Porter, Pam Hiller, Lisa Kellehan, Suzie Merryman, Marla Wycoff, Jan Achziger, Dina Garcia.



Girls Overcome Lack of Height to Win With

Outstanding Speed

Height. That was what roved to be the weak point s well as a strong point for ne Lady Stallions. Knowing nat they had to overcome neir lack of it, they imroved their speed and agili-. Junior Terri Porter said "I ink we performed great. Ve were smaller, but we ung in there like we were st as tall."

The team began by wining its first two pre-season ames against Arlington 34-), and Berkner 48-44. The rls suffered their first loss the season to Lewisville -38.

Like on a roller coaster, the team went on to beat DeSoto 65-61 and to lose against Arlington 26-29. "... we couldn't stay consistent. We were like a roller coaster. We were up then down, up then down," remarked senior Suzie Merryman.

The Lady Stallions then took home a victory against Arlington Heights 57-44, and another loss to L.D. Bell 45-55. The girls won their next two pre-district season games, however, beating W.T. White 48-49 and Plano 44-42.

The Stallions lost their first district game of the season to Wilmer. After only one district game, the girls played two more non-district games in which they won one and lost one. The team defeated Grandview 44-35 and lost to Haltom 57-68.

Then it was back to district action. The girls went on to win the next four games. Among the victims were North Garland 44-35, Garland 51-49, and Lakeview 60-50. The game against South Garland turned out to be a 71-35 blowout and gave the girls their fourth straight win and a tie for first place in the district with the Mesquite Skeeters.

Terri Porter scored 16 points in the first half and helped get the 17-9 lead in the first quarter. At the end of the half the score was 38-15. Taking advantage of the situation, Coach Donna Capps cleared her bench. Also, many of the South Garland fans went home early.

After the game, Coach Capps commented,"I was just stunned. I don't think we've ever scored 71 points."

Suzie Merryman said," ... when we played South Garland (even though they were a weak team) we blew them out of the gym. It really

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Speed cont.

makes you feel awesome!"

NM then suffered a non-district loss to Bishop Lynch, 40-52.

The girls were then off to a contest with their cross-town rivals, the Mesquite Skeeters. The Stallions showed them who was the better team by winning 53-34.

The team suffered yet another loss to Wilmer, the second of the season, 51-68.

Next the Stallions went on to top North Garland 53-44 because of the Raiders missed free timely throws. The field goals were fairly even, 18-17. Diana Dona, sophomore, hit six out of six free throws.

Their next opponent was Garland. The girls won 43-39.

The following game against Lakeview losing 54-55 was a disappointing one. However, the Stallions went into the game with first place in the district. The two teams were tied after the first quarter, 12-12 and were still even at halftime, 29-29. At the end of the third quarter, Lakeview was leading 40-37.

The Stallions took out their frustrations on the remaining two games against South Garland and Mesquite, 56-45 and 45-28.

This gave the Stallions a second place spot in the district. Up against SOC, the girls put up quite a fight, but lost 42-52.

Senior Pam Hiller said, "... they knew who they played after they played us. And they knew they had actually played the hardest, toughest, and the most disciplined team they'll ever come across."

Junior Marla Wycoff said, "Without Coach Capps strong disciplinary rules, we would have never been as successful as we were. She's a great coach who really wants to win."

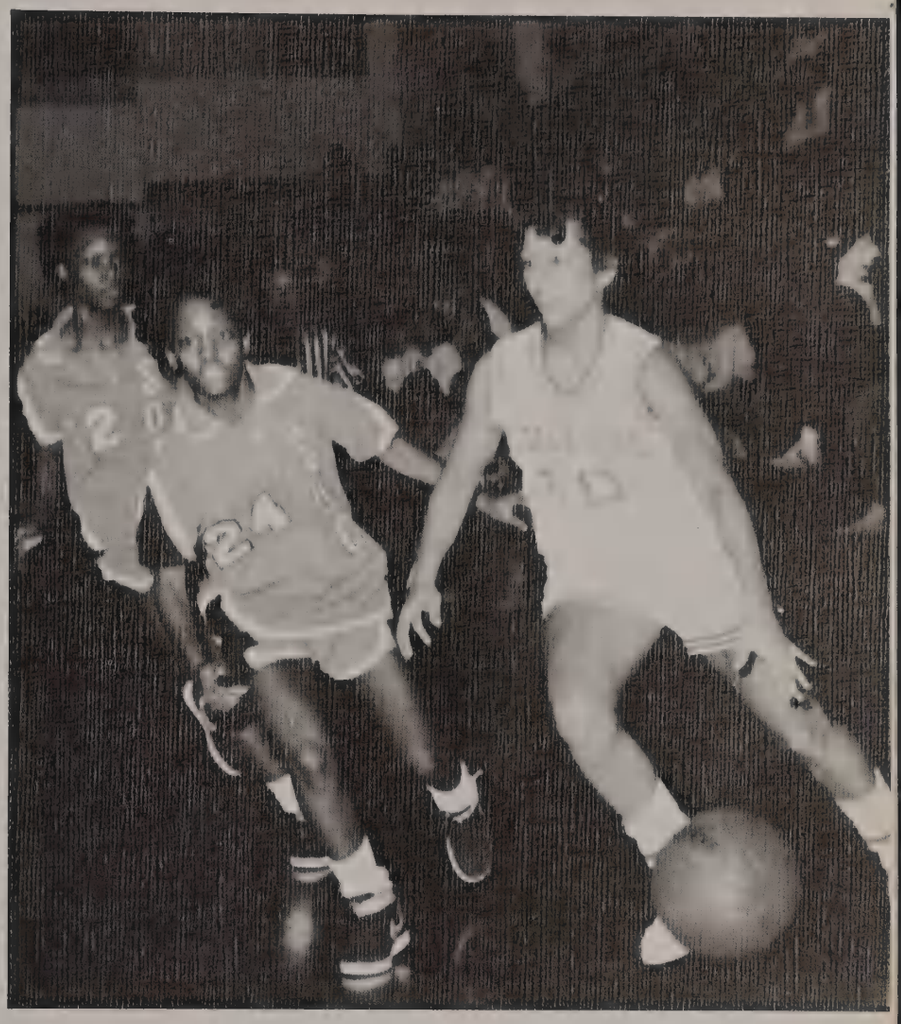


***Surrounded** by the Owls, Diana Dona overcomes the opponent and makes a basket.*

gainst Bishop Lynch, Debie Prater competes for a jump ball.



Dina Garcia heads for the net with two SOC players close behind.







Diana Dona struggles to get past a Garland Owl.

All-District player Terri Porter fakes out a SOC girl.



"We could not have done as well as we did without all the support the student body and the faculty gave us."
— Terri Porter



"... we played the number one team in Texas (SOC) and held them to the closest margin they'd seen all year long."
— Pam Hiller



"Coach Capps taught us about life, not just basketball. She taught us desire, dedication, and discipline, which we will use for the rest of our lives."
— Suzie Merryman

P•O•I•N•T•S
of Interest
District Record
10-2

NM		
38	Wilmer	30
35	N. Garland	32
37	Garland	29
36	Lakeview	28
53	S. Garland	23
44	Highland Park	30
30	Mesquite	32
39	Wilmer	36
37	N. Garland	49
54	Garland	16
42	Lakeview	28
40	Highland Park	32

JV team members include
front row: Paula Wright, Shannon Watson, Tara McElwee, Teresa McMillan, Jenna Nelson, Emily Murdock.
Back row: Larry Whitworth, Jeannie Carder, Christie Congelton, Susan Martin, Misti Goodman, Sandra Martin, Christi Jameson, Wendy Morris, Laura Kinkeade, Coach Phyllis Reed.





Frosh Team Members Include:
front row: Kristi Hampton, Debbie Johnson, Karen Ureste, Hope Masters, Donna Sechord, Racheal Oliver, DeAnna York, Sherrie Bon, Coach Swann.
Second row: Mary Harwerth, Cathy Coursey, Stacey Thompson, Wendy Cox, Michelle Harris, Jennifer Davis, Tammie Fields, Jennifer Haas,.
Back row: Lori Weatherly, Michelle Mcginnis, Susan Krause, Tonya Vandergriff, Keri Kyser, Amy Artz.

P•O•I•N•T•S
of Interest
District Record
8-6

NM		
41	Mesquite	14
35	Wilmer	8
29	N. Garland	26
1	Garland	32
22	Lakeview	25
26	S. Garland	6
20	Highland Park	23
38	Mesquite	23
43	Wilmer	18
29	N. Garland	22
16	Garland	38
23	Lakeview	24
28	Highland Park	19
19	Mesquite	18



Jennifer Davis moves the ball toward the N.M. goal at the Mesquite game.

Paula Wright blocks an opponent as a teammate passes the ball to her.



Girls JV Frosh Basketball teams pull together to earn

District Title

After compiling a 10-2 district record the girls Junior Varsity Basketball team captured the District title.

The season began rough and slow with the team losing eight games before district play.

Mesquite was the toughest competition, however, since the J.V. was competing with them all season for first place or maybe last place.

Much of the team's success was due to Coach Reed. The players felt she really pulled the team together and made them work.

"Coach Reed was tough, but very patient. She helped us establish teamwork and helped us on individual skills." Christie Jameson said.

"The greatest achievement of the team was that we played as a unit and not as individuals." Paula Wright said.

"Coach Reed's patience and desire to win made us push ourselves." Teresa McMillan said.

The Highlight of the season for Coach Swann's Frosh was beating South Garland by Twenty points while allowing them only six.

South Garland was viewed as the team's toughest competitors and beating them by such a large margin really boosted the ego of the team.

"Beating Mesquite was a major victory for the team. In the three games that North Mesquite's Frosh team played Mesquite, N.M. won all of them by an average of 14 points."

Many of the players felt that they learned a lot from simply being on the team.

Stacey Thompson said she enjoyed playing even if they didn't win every game. Learning to support the team when you're on the bench and doing your best when you are on the court were something Amy Artz felt she had learned to do this year.

"Coach Swann really made us keep going when we wanted to give up." Karen Ureste said.



***Coach Phyllis Reed** gives last minute strategic plans before the next play against Lakeview.*



***Steve Barker** slaps a high five after scoring against N.G. NM won 6-3 on N. Garland's homefield for the first time.*



***Steve Hopkins** slides into third base just in a nick of time in a game against Highland Park.*

JV and Frosh Combine for

Eleven Victories

For the first time in its history NM had a Freshman baseball team, due to the number of boys that tried out for the team — almost 30. Though they only played seven games, the team won five out of those seven, losing to Rockwall and Samuell.

"The team could've gone undefeated, but we were missing players due to holidays," explained Coach Mark White. "Some of the boys went out of town during the weekend."

The team started the season against Wilmer-Hutchins, winning with an impressive score of 16-1, the team ending against Samuell winning with a score of 12-1.

The JV team had to struggle through its season, with half of the good players moved up to Varsity or on the Freshman team. "I think that some of the hardships we had to overcome was losing some of our best players over grades," David Gardner said.

"We started off the season well, but as the season progressed, we just walked out and played instead of being serious," David Johnson said.

The players felt that Mesquite was one of their toughest opponents. Mesquite played consistent, without error or mistakes, and took advantage of the errors made by the Stallions.

Some of the valuable players, the coaches said were: Jeff Stone, Robby Vaughn, Shannon Sharp, and Chris Zivney for the Frosh team and David Gardner, Garry Blackwell, Kevin Koerner, and Chris Higginbotham for JV.

Lack of support was one of the major factors that could've helped the teams. Coach John Hicks, Varsity coach, said "I'd like to see a good turn out at all the games, not just varsity."



***Getting ready** t... Steve Hopkins look... that it's safe.*



"The season went really well because we learned much over the season plus the coaches made it fun for us."
— David Gardner



"We had a lot of tough times through the season, but I think we did alright."
— Garry Blackwell



"Timely hitting, I think, helped us. Hitting the ball at the right time with the right people on base was the key to some of our wins."
— David Johnson

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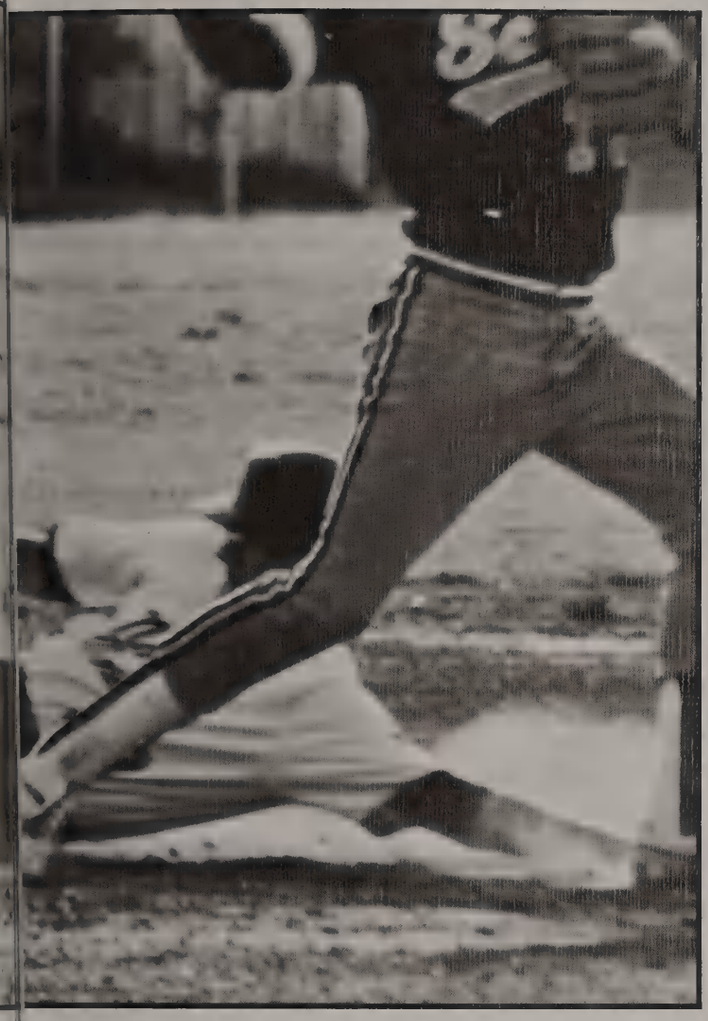
of Interest
Frosh
Season Record
5-2

NM		
16	Wilmer-Hutchins	4
3	West Mesquite	1
4	Rockwall	5
1	W. W. Samuell	10
17	Rockwall	6
9	Bryan Adams	8
12	W. W. Samuell	1

P•O•I•N•T•S

of Interest
JV
District
Season Record
6-9

NM		
7	South Garland	8
11	Highland Park	7
10	Mesquite	8
5	Garland	7
3	North Garland	7
5	Lakeview	12
7	Garland	6







Freshman Baseball Team, *(Row 1)* Jeff Stone, Scott Pittman, Evan Bowery, Mark Leone, Rusty Rodgers, Chuck Rawlinson. *(Row 2)* Rocky Kirk, Kevin Kaufman, Steve Killinsworth, Randy Wright, Brian Chapman, Mike Duckworth, Pam Marweg. *(Row 3)* David Bowden Kelly Clements, Jamie Watson, Chris Zivney, Shannon Sharp, Robby Vaughn, Coach Mark White.

JV Baseball Team, *(Row 1)* Roy Wynn, Mike Loven, David Gardner, Kevin Koerner. *(Row 2)* Chris Higginbotham, Garry Blackwell, David Johnson, Bill Myrdhal, Mike Taylor. *(Row 3)* Bart Gulley, Jeff Kinney, Ciro Piccolo, Steve Hopkins.



ıvid Gardner ***watches patntly as he prepares to bat.***



Coach Mike Morris ***disapprovingly looks on at the NM/HP game.***

P•O•I•N•T•S

of Interest

District Record

13-1

NM		
14	Garland	5
14	N. Garland	4
3	S. Garland	2
14	Wilmer Hutchins	8
17	Highland Park	0
10	Lakeview	2
5	Mesquite	2
10	Garland	0
6	N. Garland	3
3	S. Garland	11
8	Highland Park	5
4	Lakeview	0
13	Wilmer Hutchins	1
15	Mesquite	8

Varsity Baseball,
(row 1): Stacy Holt, Bill Hefner, Chris Hamilton, Kelly McPherson, Mike Collins.
(row 2): Monty Brown, Brian Fitzgerald, Pete Manicchia, Jimmy Jenkins, Gary Blackwell, Keith Higginbothom.
(row 3): Mike Embrey, Eric Stone, Steve Barker, Greg Vike, Diron Hitt, Coach John Hicks.





Outfielder Mike Embrey *stands alert for any flyball that comes his way.*



Coach John Hicks *looks on as he prepares to give instructions in the North Garland game.*

Eric Stone *gets ready to throw a strike while a North Garland Raider looks on.*

Brian Fitzgerald *prepares to make a bunt at the NM vs. Garland game.*





"Last summer, I was young and inexperienced. I didn't know how to keep my cool. I've been keeping my cool for three weeks . . ."
— Eric Stone



"We just can't seem to beat T.J. They are a good team with a good coach."
— Diron Hitt



"Everybody concentrated throughout the whole game and played the best we could and things fell in place for us . . ." (North Garland game)
— Steve Barker



Varsity Baseball Ends the Year With

A Seasonal Uprising

or the second consecutive
r, the Varsity baseball
m captured the district ti-
. And for the second con-
utive year, the team lost
Thomas Jefferson in
onal play-offs.
ut for the first time in
r years, the team had
en North Garland twice
he same season. "It's the
time since I have been
ching at NM that we've
en North Garland on its
ge field." Coach John
ks said.
fact, the Stallions only
une district game to
h Garland, 6-5, en route
ompiling a 13-1 district
rd.
t having the best district
rd did not come easily.
r summer was spent in the hot grueling sun learning new techniques and strenuous exercise.

The season began rather slowly with their first game against Bryan Adams, with a score of 3-1. As the season progressed so did their stamina. They eventually moved on into district, but not after a few trial and error games. Their first bout with Thomas Jefferson, the Stallions received a ten run ruled against them.

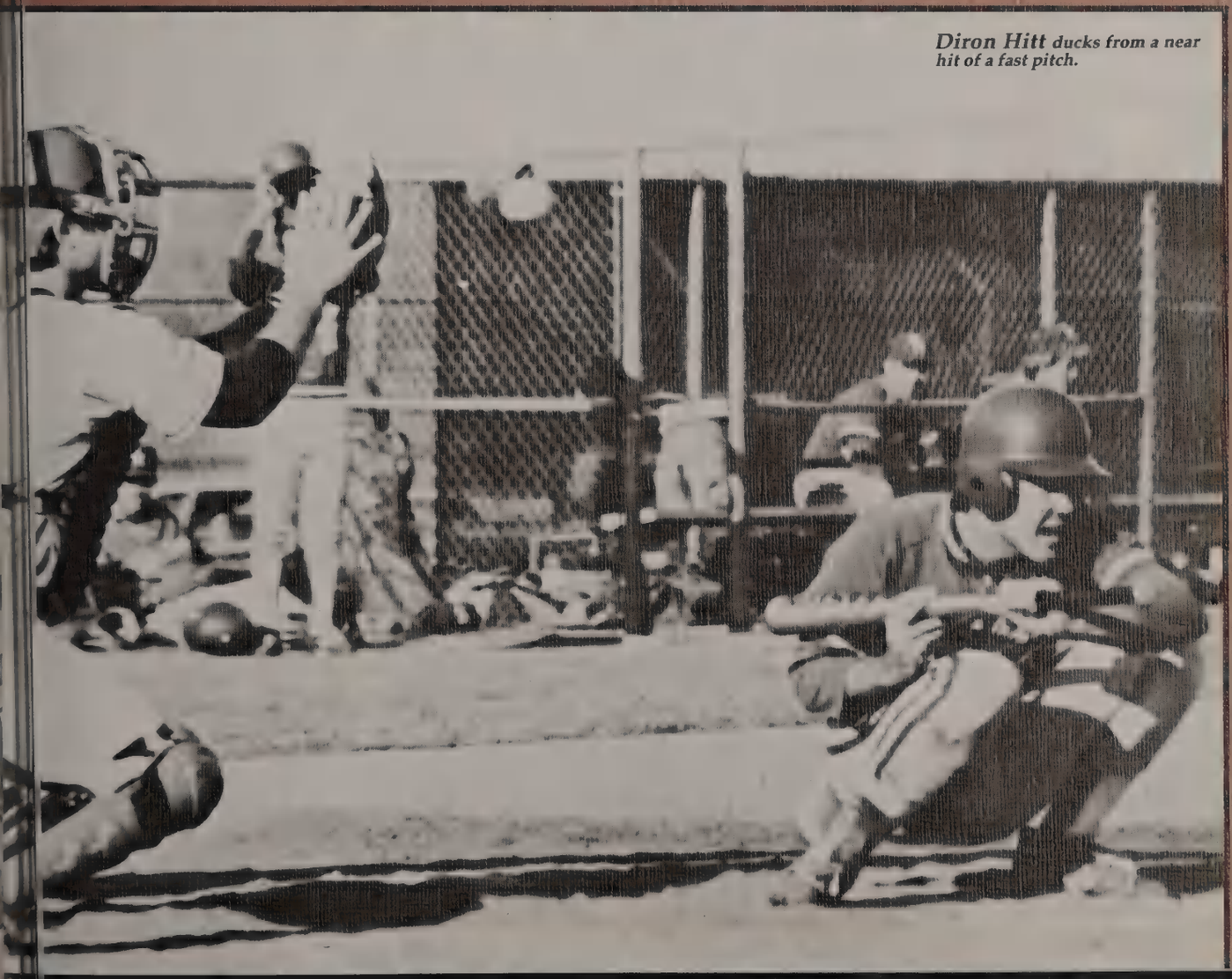
Just when the season seemed to be going downhill, the team started to once again building up their morale. Apparently Thomas Jefferson was the toughest competitor they faced. "It was an extremely tough game for me to try to win," pitcher Eric Stone commented.

In the second game against North Garland this time on Garland's home field, second baseman Mike Collins made an inside-the-park homerun, which made quite a difference in the outcome of the game. "Everyone went over there real excited about the game. When we got there, their band was playing and they were putting us down. It made everyone get ready for the game," Steve Barker explained.

In the first TJ playoff game, the Stallions faced again their toughest opponent, Eric Stone said. "We were just one run in the first inning. Then they hit that grand slam and we were down 5-0 before we got to bat."

Having ended the season with a record of 19-8-2, and reaching as far as bi-district the team had the help of some outstanding players. Awards for 1st Team, All District went to — Eric Stone (P), Steve Barker (1B), Bill Hefner (2B), Pete Manucchia (3B), Mike Embrey (OF), and Diron Hitt (C). 2nd Team, All District — Mike Collins (2nd), and Chris Hamilton (OF).

Coach Hicks proudly remarked, "I'm very excited about the All-District selections and repeating as District/Bi-District champions. Our successful season can be contributed to hard work by dedicated, talented athletes."



***Diron Hitt** ducks from a near hit of a fast pitch.*

Soccer

P•O•I•N•T•S
of Interest
District Record
8-2-2
Season Record
10-3-2

NM		
3	Bishop Dunne	0
3	Mesquite	1
1	N. Garland	2
2	Lakeview	3
10	Rockwall	1
3	Garland	0
2	S. Garland	1
1	Mesquite	1
3	N. Garland	3
1	Lakeview	0
8	Rockwall	0
4	Garland	0
4	S. Garland	1
3	Bryan Adams	2
0	Richardson	3

Boys Varsity Team Members Are:
(row 1) Brian Gentry, Pat Pearson, Tim Glenn, Randy Kelly, Phillip Miller, Kevin Faciane, Brian King. *(row 2)* Sam Weatherby, Billy Mayhaw, Brian Beddow, Rodney Chapin, Kirk Sipes, Robbie Lopez, Gary Akin. *(row 3)* Coach Steve Bragg, Carl Leatherman, Ross Foster, Brian Sledge, Kelley Hargis, Bruce Snover, Scott Sitzman, and Jason Frith.





Ross Foster ***dribbles the ball down the field as two teammates follow.***

Boys Varsity Soccer Team Get It Together With a

Force that Knows No Equal

After last year's uproar with HP, it was questionable as to whether or not NM would still have a boys soccer program. This year, according to senior team member Randy Kelly, the guys had to let the Hartwick tradition die and decide to play clean, heads-up soccer.

NM started off the season with two wins against Bishop Dunne, 3-0, and Mesquite, 3-1. The team suffered its first loss to North Garland 2-1. The Stallions made it two in a row by losing to Lakeview in a disappointing game, 3-2.

The season began going their way after the team decided that they really wanted the championship and defeated South Garland 2-1 in a tough game.

The team then went on to tie its next two games against Mesquite and North Garland, 1-1 and 3-3, respectively.

"I think the lowest point of the season was when we were beating N. Garland 3-0 in the first half and then let them come back to tie us 3-3 . . .," Brian Gentry said.

The Stallions then went on to blow away the opposing teams in the four games left in the regular season. Among these were Lakeview and Garland, where NM shamed them 8-0, and 4-0.

The final game against South Garland, which decided the district championship was played indoors at the "Soccer Center" in Richardson. This was the first indoor soccer game in NMHS history. The Stallions were scored on first, but the Stallions then started playing together as a team which resulted in their 4-1 victory.

Phillip Miller said, "Coach Bragg continued to be confident even after our losses. He inspired the team to keep trying because he knew that we could bounce back and possibly win district. And we did."

The bi-district game was tough because NM was coming from behind throughout the whole game. NM was tied with Bryan Adams, 2-2, and went into overtime, which eventually led to a shootout. Junior Scotty Sitzman, playing fullback, scored the winning shot that insured the bi-district championship.

"It was great when Tim Glenn made the final save in the shootout against BA to clinch the bi-district championship," said Rodney Chapin.

The Stallions then went on to play Richardson for the area championship. The team didn't seem to be up for the game as it was for the bi-district game, and it hurt the team's efforts.

Randy Kelly said, "After we were second on the first time, we just fell apart a... were not able to get back u... We lost 3-0, but it was to t... team who went on to w... the State Championship."

This particular team w... really unified. Most of t... players had experience ... playing each other on d... ferent terms, so they kne... what to expect from ea... other.

All-District honors we... to: 1st Team — Bruce Snove... Scott Sitzman, Rodne... Chapin; 2nd Team — Kev... Faciane, Tim Glenn, Ro... Foster; Honorable Mentio... — Kelly Hargis, Brian Ge... try, and Billy Mayhaw.

"The guys did a great j... this year in workin... together. They had a sup... year. They went farther ... the playoffs than any oth... boys soccer team had in t... past," Coach Bragg said.



Jumping over an opposing player, *Kelley Hargis manages to get the ball down the field.*

All bundled up, *Coach Steve Bragg keeps an eye on his winning team.*







Senior Randy Kelly *gets back into the game after taking a break.*



"I feel that our highpoint of the season was when we shut-out Lakeview. Going into that game we had our backs against the wall. We had to win, and we proved that we could."

— Scott Sitzman



"There's nothing like the feeling you get after being the first NM boys soccer team to win the bi-district championship"

— Carl Leatherman



"Coach Bragg gave the team a feeling of unity. He treated everyone the same way, giving no special privileges to anyone. He also cares about the soccer program.

— Bruce Snover

of Interest

District Record
9-0
Season Record
15-6

NM		
8	Lakeview	0
6	Garland	0
5	N. Garland	4
2	S. Garland	0
4	Mesquite	1
7	Lakeview	0
10	Garland	0
8	N. Garland	0
4	S. Garland	2
4	Samuell	2
3	Richardson	4

Girls Varsity Soccer Team Members Are: *(row 1)* Kelly Van Lehn, Patty Kear, Kelly Ball, Eva Robles, Amy Weatherby, Salisa Allen, Pam Decker; *(row 2)* Annette Hawkins, Lannette Harbour, Cindy Linthicum, Donna Armstrong, Amy Ashmore, Stacy Palmore, Debra Decker, Susan Goodman; *(row 3)* Coach Mark White, Kandi Kingrey, Cathy Garcia, Jennifer Fletcher, Tricia Timms, Shelia Day, and Shawn Wilson.







"There was a very strong sense of unity in our team. We continually worked together and after games we would go out together. We were all best buds. . ."
— Amy Ashmore

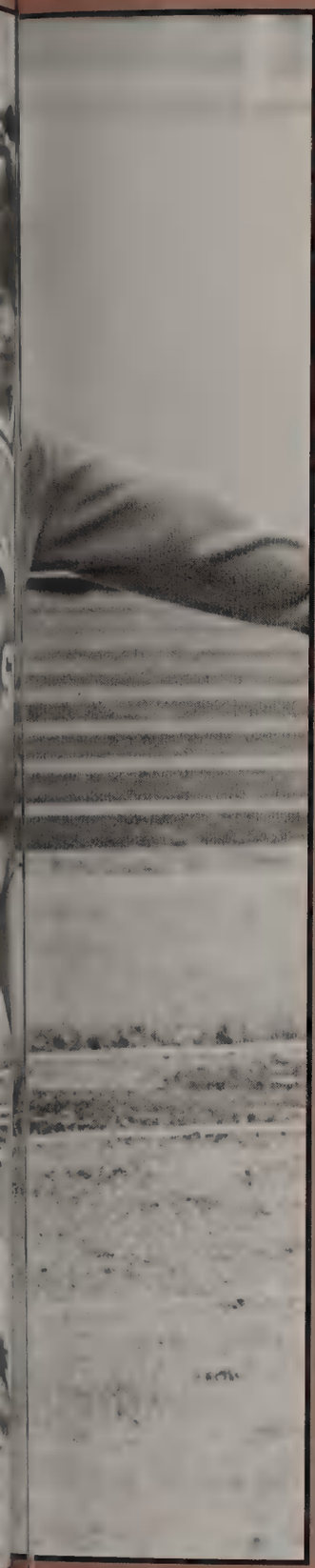


"Coach White had us in shape! We could run down any team and come back and play our own pace . . . He was not only our coach, he was our friend!"
— Donna Armstrong



"Because we were placed in an easy district, we were unprepared for a good team like Richardson. I felt really good about our loss to them, because they went on to become state champs, and only beat us by one goal."
— Amy Weatherby





Junior Cathy Garcia warms up before a big game.

After the ball is kicked out of play, Kelly Van Lehn throws it back.



***Seniors** Amy Weatherby and Donna Armstrong take a break from the action.*



Girls Varsity soccer team started slow but ended up

Finishing Strong

The girl's varsity soccer team's season started slow, but turned out to be one of the best seasons any NM soccer team has ever had.

The team began the season by losing the first game of the season to J.J. Pearce. In the Arlington Tournament, the team played fairly well, winning three games and losing two to take home fifth place. The team then participated in the Sunset Tournament where the girls won one game and lost two.

But they then began to gain momentum. NM completely shut-out its first two district competitors, defeating Lakeview 8-0, and Garland 6-0.

The team had a minor setback losing a non-district game against Arlington Martin 0-2.

But the team wouldn't give up. Coach Mark White said his girls came back and cranked it up in the district contests.

The team defeated North and South Garland by scores of 5-4 and 2-0, respectively.

NM's next victim was its cross-town rival, Mesquite. The Stallions defeated the Skeeters 4-1.

The team set an eight-game winning streak by then going on to defeat Lakeview, Garland, North Garland, and South Garland. Amy Weatherby commented, "I feel our toughest district team to play this year was South Garland because last year we had a tough time beating them and it resulted in some fights."

This gave the Stallions a 9-0 district record, making them District 9-5A champions.

Donna Armstrong said, "The high point was finishing our district with a 9-0 record! When this happened, we knew that we were headed the playoffs!"

Bi-District was the team's next goal, and they achieved it by defeating Samuell 4-2.

In the Area playoffs, NM was finally defeated by Richardson 3-4, after putting up quite a fight in double overtime. Richardson then went on to win the state title.

"We were really pepped up for our game against Richardson, but we just had some sorry breaks against a real tough and talented team," said Amy Ashmore.

Much of the success of the team could probably be attributed to the fact that seniors Donna Armstrong, Amy Ashmore, Amy Weatherby, Cindy Linthicum, Kelly Ball, and Eva Robles all played together with Mark White as their coach.

Senior Donna Armstrong was injured during the earlier part of the season which may have contributed to the team's slow start. Coach White said that Donna, playing center halfback was the heart of the team.

"We worked as a team and that's why we had so much success. We were always there for each other, on and off the field," said Kelly Van Lehn.

Overall, the team had a good relationship amongst themselves and Coach White. They worked well together all during the season.

Coach White also said Kelly Ball was the fastest player, not only on the team, and Lanette Harbour was the strongest player on the team.

Coach White summed up the season by saying, "I was pleased with the way we played Richarddson. They may have been better skilled, but our girls were the better athletes."

P•O•I•N•T•S

of Interest

Girls JV Soccer
Season Record
0-3

NM		
2	J. J. Pearce	3
2	Highland Park	4
3	Mesquite	4



"I think unity in a team has a lot to do with the way you perform on the field. If you don't believe in the team, you really can't believe in yourself and how you play."
— Lonnie Pollard



"... no one person can be a team or win a game. It takes a whole team effort."
— Alana Rattan



"Coach Bragg is a good coach. He gave us a good condition practice and he really put a lot of work into the soccer team."
— Jacob Porse



P•O•I•N•T•S

of Interest

Boys JV Socer
Season Record
6-0

NM		
4	Mesquite	0
4	Bryan Adams	0
4	Lakeview	0
7	S. Garland	0
5	Mesquite	0
5	Lakeview	1

Racing with the opponent, *a Stallion player attempts to regain possession of the ball.*



JV soccer players *show their skill in a game with Lakeview.*



Members of the girls JV soccer team are: *(row 1)* Kim Shand, Denise Pittman, Alana Egan, Vicki Roushey, Jayneen Kennedy, Jessie Hill, Wendy Gardner. *(row 2)* Cheryl Arteberry, Barbara Poston, Angie Harjo, Erin Otero, Lori Slusher, Debbit Greer. *(row 3)* Christi Flint, Sherri Hogue, Anna Gonzales, Lisa Finch, Lori Coronado, Cathy Rodriguez, and Coach Mark White.

Members of the boys JV soccer team are: *(row 1)* Ken Swindle, Jerry Sebastian, Tony Sunaeker, Ajith John, Jerry Satterfield, Lonnie Pollard, Jerry Wagner. *(row 2)* Sam Weatherby, Don Cummings, Dzung Le, Scott Fothergill, Phillip Doane, John Valentino, Donnie Aga, Aaron Frith, Charley Torres. *(row 3)* Coach Steve Bragg, Jacob Porse, Warren Fowler, Jeff Morrow, David Marrel, David Parrish, John Robbins, Derek Stewart, Chuck Rawlinson, Jason Frith.



Boys and Girls JV Soccer Teams Were

Making the Goals

The boys and girls JV soccer teams played some good games, despite lack of publicity. The girls season was cut a little short due to seven games being cancelled because of bad weather. Vicki Roushey said, "... we didn't get to compete in many games so we didn't get to prove what we were capable of."

The boys had a very successful season, having only one point scored against them during the entire season. They went undefeated to end the season with a record of 6-0. "It was great having only one point scored against us, especially for me. Fullbacks get very little recognition, but when we have a near perfect season, something must be said about the defense," remarked David Marrel.

John Robbins said, "The team was real close and Coach Bragg kept us together. That's what you need for a good team."

Phillip Doane said, "Coach Bragg contributed a whole lot to the success of the team. He made sure that we were working hard during practices."

"This was the second straight undefeated, untied season for NM," added Coach Steve Bragg.

Janet Bryant swims in the butterfly event at the regional meet.

In the backstroke event, Antje Birkner swims a 2.28:42 in the medley.







Coach Julie Wallace confers with Joe Valdez and Cynthia Nash.



Suzie Krause takes a break during a meet.



While helping out Coach Wallace, Cynthia Nash checks the times of swimmers.



Swim Team Worked Hard and Was

Swimming Strong

Not many people would want to get up at the crack of dawn to go have a swim workout but that is what the dedicated members of the swim team did no matter what the temperature was.

In late October the team participated in the SMU Relays. NM didn't place very high, but the team did receive some very valuable experience. For some swimmers, this was their very first swim meet ever. The meet helped these rookies to gain knowledge on how to handle the pressure and competition of the meets to come.

Many new members cut their times down to one half of what it was, which was quite an accomplishment. Donnie Peterson said, "NM was stomped but we managed to cut our times very well."

The Stallions swimmers then proceeded to compete in a meet against Lewisville and Marcus. Because of the long ride to the place of the meet, the team felt not quite up to par, losing the first real meet of the season. However, Lewisville and Marcus have very large teams, and the swim team members always find it a challenge to swim against them.

The team began to pick up momentum, however, defeating both South Garland and Garland in the next meet. Shari Sawyer commented, "I really wasn't surprised when we beat them. We beat them last year, and I figured we could do it again this year."

The Stallions went on to swim in the Lewisville Invitational Meet where the girls placed sixth and the boys placed ninth out of twenty teams. Against Bryan Adams, the girls took home a victory while the boys lost. The team won yet another meet against Skyline.

Then it was on to the District meet on February 15. In this competition, NM was second only to Highland Park. Janet Bryant said, "I wanted to win district real bad since it was my last year, but HP is a large team and has better facilities in which to work out. So I knew it would be real tough to even keep up with them. But we were not far behind!"

Twenty swimmers qualified for the regional meet, held in Fort Worth on March 1. In the girls 200 medley relay, the team of Antje Birkner, Janet Bryant, Carol Berg, and Shana Roark won first place with a time of 2:12:52, a new school record.

In the girls individual medley, Carol Berg set a new school record with her first place of 2:28:42. Antje Birkner received fifth place in this event.

This was the year for new school records. *(cont)*



iving her all, Shari Sawyer ims in the last meet of the ison.



Senior Janet Bryant swims to win.

Strong

Setting yet another school record for the swim team Antje Birkner placed first in the 100 yard backstroke with a time of 1:11:06.

Antje Birkner said, "My favorite event was always the 50 yard medley relay with Carol, Janet, Shana, and myself, I had to start first because I was the backstroker. Janet always asked me one thing when I was fixing to jump into the water: 'How fast can you swim?' and my answer was always: 'As fast as a shark!' and I had to repeat it three times before she believed it."

Coach Wallace reviewed the season up by saying, "I was very pleased with our season. We broke many school records and have improved our times throughout the year. Our overall meet record was five wins and three losses, the wins being South Garland, Garland, North Garland, Skyline, and Bryan Adams girls and losing to Lewisville Marcus, Highland Park, and Bryan Adams boys. Six seniors will graduate this year. The team will miss the support and experience of the seniors, but it looks like we will be getting some new talent to join our team next year."

Shaun McQuistion and Janet Bryant received Most Valuable swimmer awards, and Rick Northicutt was voted freshman of the year.



***Kerri Bittenbender** checks out the bulletin board as Shaun McQuistion laughs at her picture being taken by surprise at the regional meet.*

The high point of the season was definitely the district meet. While at school, all of the girls were delivered a carnation by Shaun McQuistion. "I felt very proud and happy when we placed second in the district against schools who have better facilities than we do."

— Antje Birkner



"Coach Wallace is a great coach. She really understands and knows how to give us a good workout."

— Janet Bryant



"I feel the main reason for our team's success was due to each person's individual effort. There was not one loser on our team. We were, and still are, winners."

— Shaun McQuistion



of Interest

Opponent	
North Garland	won
South Garland	won
Garland	won
Skyline	won
Bryan Adams	won
Lewisville	
Marcus	lost
Bryan Adams	lost



A couple of swimmers take a break at one of the meets.

Swim team members are: *(row 1)* Clay Cole, Bill Ellis, Shaun McQuistion, Bart Graham, Antje Birkner. *(row 2)* John Mathews, Shari Sawyer, Shana Roark, Kerri Bittenbinder, Joe Valdez, Lisa Tolbert. *(row 3)* Cynthia Nash, Suzie Krause, Monica Martell, Carol Berg, Chris Dunaway, Richard Northcutt. *(row 4)* Jim Fellers, Russell Pedri, Donnie Peterson, Pete Copin, Ward Mathews, and Coach Julie Wallace.







Coach Julie Wallace *laughs with some fellow coaches at the Regional Meet in Fort Worth, Texas.*



Senior Bill *Ellis: "Coach Wallace knew each of our weaknesses and our limits. She knew what we could and couldn't do."*

Competing in lane *six, North Mesquite's time is shown on the scoreboard.*



Proving that hard wor *pays off, Ken Craft nears the fini* *line as one of the top runners.*

Cross-Country Was Meetin' Those

Monotonous Miles

Monotony. That is a word that characterizes cross-country. But it's not the only word. A person has to have discipline and a strong will to rigor the hardships of cross-country training; and the boys on the NM team stood up to the challenge.

Many miles were run in extreme heat, cold, rain, sleet, and every other imaginable form of weather. The boys on the team must also run on their own, besides working out sometimes two or three times a day at school. All that work paid off.

Senior, Ken Craft said, "Cross-Country is a very wearisome sport. Not many of the students in North Mesquite realize how many hours and miles we put in for preparation of a meet, I believe that 75% of cross-country is mental."

The boys began their successful season by competing in the Richardson Invitational Meet where both the varsity and JV placed fourth. The team was then off to the Plano Invitational Meet where the varsity placed sixth and the JV placed second.

At the Lancaster Invitational Meet the Stallions brought back third place. In the last regular meet of the season for the varsity team, Trinity-UTA, the guys performed well, winning second place. The JV had one last meet at Mountain View, taking with them first place.

The Stallions were then off to the district meet. The team easily won the title, qualifieing the Stallions for the regional meet. For many of the senior team members, this was the fourth year in a row to win district and advance to the regional meet. This is the only sports team to win district four years in a row. The team placed eleventh in the region.

Coach Ben Robertson said, "We are always a slow starter — hoping to be at our best around district-regional meet time. It really hurt our performance to be rained-out the three meets before district."

Senior, Daron Moore remarked, "I felt that the season went well, although we never seemed to come together and find a peak as a team. We all seemed to peak at different times . . . I felt going to the regional meet was redemptive, a chance to cover the rest of the season with one effort. Unfortunately, it never came about."

Dwain Baber, said: "There has always been a strong sense of unity from each team member, to the many helpful and supportive coaches. We learn from each other . . ."

All-District awards were given to Wayne McKee, Ronnie Aga, and Rodney Smith, and coach ben Robertson was named cross-country's Coach of the Year.

"House Bill 72 had no effect what so ever. I feel that an athlete must be a good student as well . . ."
— Mark Dilodovico



"No one can make you do the hard miles, the long hours of workouts — only yourself. It's a mental sport as well as a physical one."
— Wayne McKee



"Our efforts were mostly a reflection of an equally balanced team, without a superstar runner."
— Ronnie Aga



of Interest

Meet	Var.	JV
Richardson	4th	4th
Plano	6th	2nd
Arlington Lamar	2nd	1st
Lancaster	3rd	1st
Trinity-, UTA	2nd	1st
Mountain View		1st
District	1st	1st
Regional	11th	

Boys' cross-country team members are: *(row 1)* Randy Cott, Mark Dilodovico, Daron Moore, Steve Skinner, Todd Flentje, Ken Craft, Dwain Baber, Mike Hoyt; *(row 2)* Tim Glasson, Tracy Ewton, Chris Reyes, Ed Baptista, Alex Martin, Larry Heath, Eric Halverson, Keith Duckworth; *(row 3)* Coach Ben Robertson, Bud Videan, Ronnie Aga, Jeff Walker, Donnie Aga, Rodney Smith, Corey Junell, Glenn Morris; *(row 4)* Stephen Tate, Randy Woody, Gary Kurtz, Brandon Johnson, Todd Young, Shaun Halfaker, Matt Varghese, Chris Rodriquez, Matt Walker.

***Giving a Lake** Highlands runner a run for his money, Rodney Smith leads while Ken Craft brings up the rear.*







***K·ping pace,** Donnie Aga and W·ne McKee compete in another m·t. Donnie's twin brother, Ronni·is also on the team.*





***Getting a fresh supply** of water, Rodney Smith, Bud Videan, and Chris Reyes prepare for the next race.*

***In the JV District** meet, Corey Junell and Glenn Morris run the last leg. The JV finished first in the district.*

P•L•A•C•E•S

of Interest

Meet	Var.	JV
Richardson	3rd	2nd
Plano	4th	1st
Arlington-Lamar	6th	1st
Lancaster	2nd	2nd
Trinity-UTA	1st	1st
Mountain View		2nd
District	2nd	2nd
Regional	3rd	
State	10th	

Girls' cross-country team members are: *(row 1)* Angie Garrison, Kim Cavender, Tammy Oakley, Belinda Garza, Gina Oakley, Sheri Teer, Stephanie Zimmerman; *(row 2)* Coach Ben Robertson, Tonya Myers, Amy Wilson, Alison Owens, Jodi Blankenship, Becky Reyes, Shelia Day; *(row 3)* Karey Gunn, Kellie Gunn, Jeanna Garvin, Deann Molencupp, Shelley Curry, Cinda Arthur, and Rena Ybarbo.





Becky Reyes, *Angie Garrison, Jeanna Garvin, Stephanie Zimmerman, Jodi Blankenship, Kim Cavender, and Gina Oakley pose for the camera after another victorious meet.*

Concentrating, *Allison Owens pushes to stay ahead in the district meet.*



Keeping her pace, *Stephanie Zimmerman competes in the district meet.*

Deann Molencupp *gives a superlative effort in the district meet.*







Nearing the finish, *Gina Oakley and Angie Garrison struggle to keep going. Gina and Angie won All State and All State Honorable Mention, respectively.*



Cross-country Girls Ran the

Road to State

It's 5:15 a.m. and an alarm goes off. The girl manages to pull herself out of bed to start yet another day, even though she stayed up until 1:00 a.m. doing her term paper and other homework.

She gets her things together and arrives at school for her regular 6:00 a.m. workout. The only thing that keeps her going is the hope of going to the state cross-country meet at the end of the season.

This might have been a typical morning in the life of the members of the girls cross-country team. The road to state was a long and hard one. Besides having early morning workouts, the team many times worked out during fourth period and after school. But the girls achieved their goal — making it to the state meet for the second year in a row.

Freshman, Rena Ybarbo said, "Cross-Country takes a great deal of discipline. It was hard, but we had a lot of good times as well."

The team started its successful season by competing in the Richardson Invitational Meet where the varsity finished third. The team then went on to the Plano and Arlington Lamar meets where the Stallions finished fourth and sixth, respectively.

The Stallions improved their record by taking home second place in the Lancaster Invitational Meet. The team had an outstanding performance, winning first place in the Trinity-UTA meet.

The girls were then off to district. The team placed second, qualifying them for the regional meet. The girls gave their all and pulled off third place.

Senior, Kim Cavender commented, "The regional awards was the most exciting moment I have ever felt in my whole life. I will not forget that moment, ever. I can picture it now — all the crying, screaming, and laughter was terrific!"

The team's goal finally came, the state meet in Austin. For many girls, this was their second year to compete in Austin, having gone to State the year before. The team finished tenth overall.

"The state meet was absolutely the best thing that could ever happen to anybody! It's an honor that I wish everybody could experience . . .," remarked senior, Belinda Garza.

The JV team performed well this season, also. The team placed either first or second in the seven meets in which it competed.

Awards were: ALL DISTRICT — Gina Oakley, Jodi Blankenship; ALL REGION — Gina Oakley; ALL STATE — Gina Oakley, Angie Garrison (Honorable Mention).

New School Record Holder — Angie Garrison; New JV Record Holder — Rena Ybarbo. Bonnie Bell Circle of Excellence Award — Gina Oakley, Angie Garrison, Rebecca Reyes (Honorable Mention), Rena Ybarbo (Honorable Mention).

Coach Ben Robertson commented, "There is nothing like going to the top. Two years in a row really is proof of what hard work, desire, and positive attitudes can do. All the two-a-day and sometimes three-a-day workouts really seem to work for the chance to compete for the State Championship. It is an athletic experience that will never be forgotten."



"House Bill 72 pulled us closer as a team . . . everyone stuck together and made sure everyone was passing."
— **Angie Garrison**



"There were times when team unity wasn't so great. But Coach Robertson straightened us out. And it got us to State."
— **Gina Oakley**



"The team always talked and prayed together before a meet. It was a hard season, but it paid off in the end."
— **Sheri Teer**

Coach Robertson's Track Team Proved to Have

All of the Right Stuff

It was all there — an ideal mixture of coaching, dedication, and unity — and it paid off. For the girls' track team, and Coach Ben Robertson, this mixture was what led the team to place no lower than fourth in any regular-season meet, including the Grand Prairie Relays, where both the varsity and JV teams captured first place.

The girls were constantly encouraged by Coach Robertson to perform to the best of their ability. To most of the girls, Coach Robertson was not only a coach — he was a friend.

"Everyone loves Coach Robertson. He's like our second dad. He would get our spirits up and help us run well. I'll really miss him after graduation," commented senior Gina Oakley.

"He always gives us little pep talks that really get everybody going. He spends so much time with us and he really cares. We all appreciate the time and effort that he has put into this season," added freshman Melissa Kay.

Another factor in the team's success was the dedication to the group that each member gave. "A strong point of the team was the devotion of the girls and Coach 'R'. If the girls had not have put in as much effort as they did we wouldn't be where we are right now," Christy Brown said.

The team's unity was a factor that was felt by several of the members. By communicating with and encouraging each other, the girls' track team was able to achieve success. "Our team is a family and that's the fun of it. We're close and we get along ... that's why we're better," said Gina Oakley.

From the first meet the varsity team finished near the top each time it competed. The North Garland Raider Relays were the team's initial contest. There, they captured an impressive second place.

The next week, at the Carl Norris meet, the team moved down slightly, taking fourth place.

The Theo Rigsby meet provided a chance for recovery for the girls' track team. The varsity team took second place while the JV team received top honors — first place.

The Grand Prairie Relays was the group's most successful contest. Both the



Preparing to start, *Julie Lu- [illegible] prays her strategy for the [illegible]*

"Coach Robertson has stuck by us by psyching us up before a meet and giving us confidence. Most of all he believed in us."
— Roxanne Ericson



"We were close and we could talk to each other. When we worked out we all tried and we got better and better!"
— Gina Oakley



"We looked to the top and when we didn't get there our attitude was just to look toward next year and hope for the best."
— Kim Guyton

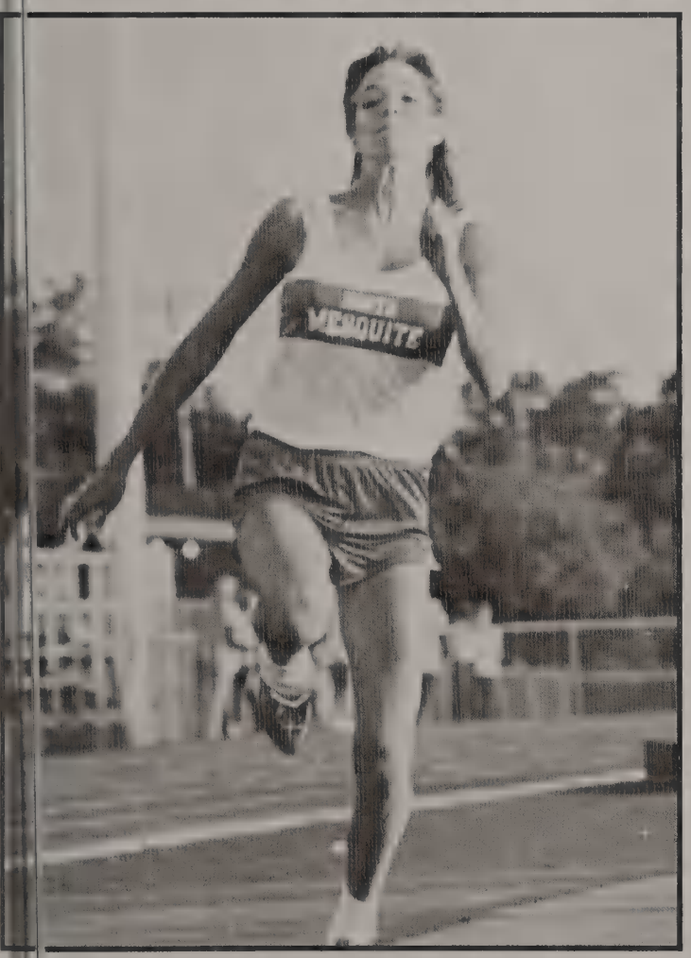


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Season Record

Meet	Var.	JV
Raider Relays	2nd	
Carl Norris	4th	
Theo Rigsby	2nd	1st
Prairie Relays	1st	1st
Trinity Relays	2nd	1st
North Mesquite	2nd	1st
Dr. Pepper	4th	
District	3rd	
Regional	9th	

Members of the girl's Varsity Track Team are: *(row 1)* Lisa VanBriggle, Julie Luciani, Linda Campbell, Sheri Teer, Gina Oakley, Kim Cavender, Belinda Garza, Terri Carter, Stephanie Zimmerman, Angie Garrison.
(row 2) **Kielei Thompson, Melissa Kay, Shannon** Watson, Alison Owens, Jodi Blankenship, Marla Wycoff, Lisa Patterson, Cindy Lamb, Jeanna Hall, Dina Sims.
(row 3) Tonya Myers, Kerri Porter, Roxanne Ericson, Daenn Molencupp, Jeanna Garvin, Mary Harwerth, Becky Reyes, Christy Gregory, Shirley Farris, Vickie Paugh.
(row 4) Cindy Ferguson, Kerri Hallman, Lynette Conely, Teresa Molina, Sherry Baldwin, Shelley Farris, Teresa Henderson, Karen Bailey, Chong Lee, Patty Pound.
(row 5) Charla Smith, Nona McCarter, Michelle McGinnis, Michelle Thomas, Tammy Crutchfield, Lenora Acy, Rena Ybarbo, Tammy Oakley, Amy Wilson, Angie Tovey.
(row 6) Tracy Rhodes, Jennifer Haas, Lori Weatherly, Margita Tangen, Elke Reichel, Leticia Martinez, Cinda Arthur, Ashley Boling, Connie Knox, Sharon Mills.
(row 7) Coach Ben Robertson, Pat Roberts, Janet Carr, Shelley Walthall, Christy Bullock, Laura Mays, Leslie Nightingale, Brandy Winkfein.





Marla Wycoff ***gives it all she's got while trying to add to the team's overall score.***



Shelley Farris ***prepares to hurl the shotput. Shelley later became a member of the All-District team.***

Varsity and JV Track teams prove to have the

Right Stuff

Varsity and JV track teams walked away with first place and a total of nine trophies.

At both the Trinity Relays and the North Mesquite Relays, the varsity team finished in second place while the JV took its third and fourth first place wins.

Nearing the end of the season, the girls traveled to Irving, competing in the Dr. Pepper meet. The varsity runners won fourth place.

At the District meet, the varsity team took third place, enabling them to compete at the Regional meet.

There, the team took ninth place — satisfactory but not high enough for the team to advance to the State meet.

"Even though we didn't go to State, I feel proud to tell everyone I'm a part of the NMHS track team. We did our best," commented Christy Brown.

Individual members of the team received numerous awards and honors. Angie Garrison set school records in both the 1600 and 3200 events. In the high jump Julie Luciani set the school record and Marla Wycoff, Kim Cavender, Gina Oakley, and Angie Garrison set the record for the distance medley relay.

Julie Luciani earned a spot on the All-District team in three events and on the All-Region team in two events. Shelly Farris, Melissa Kay, and Mary Harwerth also were on the All-District team. Melissa Kay was elected to the All-State Honor Roll in the hurdle and long jump events, and Julie Luciani received the same honor in the hurdle and high jump events.

The team chose Julie Luciani as the recipient of the 'Most Valuable Track Performer' award and Gina Oakley for the 'Spirit and Leadership' award. Lisa Patterson was chosen by Coach Robertson to receive the 'Strider' award.

"The team was the most competitive it has been in the past four years," Coach Robertson said, "In most every meet we were able to score in every event. The greatest compliment the team received was by college coaches who were impressed with the way the team prepared to compete. The girls were more dedicated than any other track team we've had at NMHS."





***Julie Luciani** works to improve her high jump, an event in which she was placed on the All-State Honor Roll.*

***Angie Garrison** stride toward the finish to help he team place third at the distric meet.*



***Julie Luciani** performs in one of her best events, the high jump.*

***Coach Ben Robertson,** Amy Wilson, and Connie Knox watch the performance of the track team at the district meet.*



***Flanked** by her opponents, Melissa Kay tries to move ahead in the hurdle event.*







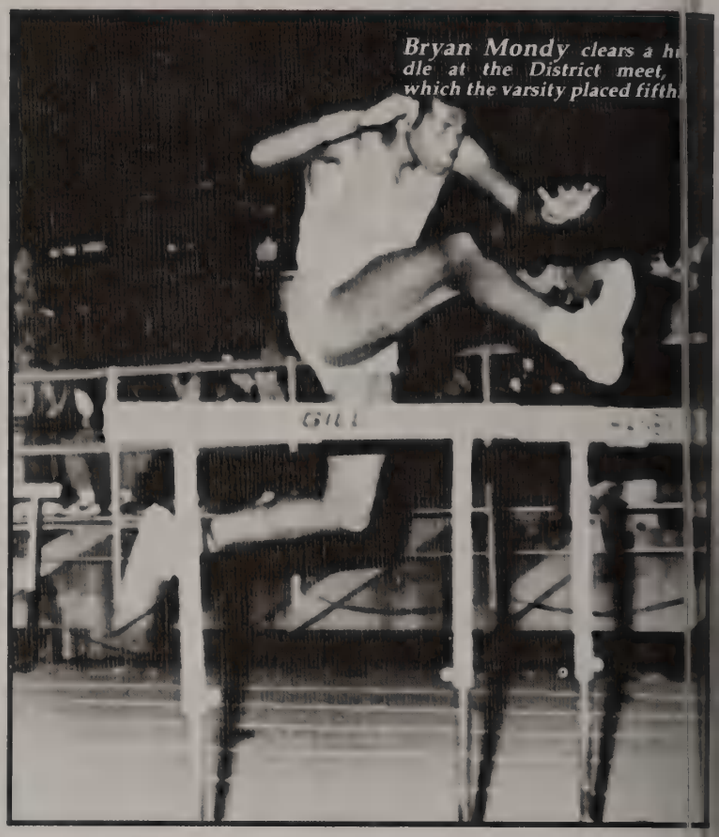
Members of the Girls' JV Track Team Are: *(row 1)* Christy Brown, April Plunk, Carol McCullough, Rhonda Lemons, Emily Murdock, Shelly Costa, Christi Wells, Cindy Filmon. *(row 2)* Sonya Clark, Sondra Fisher, Sandra Bollier, Lissa Krahn, Julie Barron, Kim Guyton, Robin Collins, Tara McElwee, Erin Wilcots. *(row 3)* Ginger Jolley, Rhonda Nelson, Amy Rice, Casey Rawls, Beverly Miller, Melissa Chaffee, Shelley Curry, Kelli Robertson. *(row 4)* Kelly Moore, Amy Harmon, Lariann Brede, Kellie Gunn, Carol Tobias, Karey Gunn, Angela Kuykendall, Georgia Petta. *(row 5)* Coach Ben Robertson, Kielei Thompson, Charla Smith, Tracy Rhodes, Joelle Roy, Jennifer Burros, Alisa Kozvolsky.

of Interest

Meet	Var.	JV
Raider Relays	3rd	2nd
Theo Rigsby	5th	
Prairie Relays	3rd	2nd
Mesquite Relays	5th	3rd
N. Mesquite Relays	2nd	2nd
Dr. Pepper	6th	
District	5th	

Members of the boys' track team are: *(row 1)* Paul Mendoza, Alex Martin, Ed Baptista, Shawn Halfaker, Robert Jones, Larry Heath, Tim Ewton.
(row 2) Mark Evans, Mike Ennis, Ben Floor, Raffaele Gaines, Bryan Mondy, Shawn Halverson, T. C. Dahlman.
(row 3) Rodney Smith, Tommy Presley, Ken Kraft, Ronnie Aga, Jeff Walker, Troy Crawford, Mathew Varghese.
(row 4) Wayne McKee, Corey Junell, Donnie Aga, John Robbins, Todd Bell, Tim Glasson, Jimmy Pena.
(row 5) Todd Flentje, Daron Moore, Mark Dilodovico, Eric Fultz, Brian Ishmael, Brian Moore, David Henderson.





Bryan Mondy *clears a hu dle at the District meet, which the varsity placed fifth.*



Followed closely *by an opponent from North Garland, Ken Craft moves over a hurdle at Mesquite's Hanby Stadium.*



***Eager to accumulate** points for the team, Ronnie Aga tries to move ahead of runners from Lakeview and North Garland*



***Daron Moore** closes in on opponents from North Garland and Wilmer Hutchins.*

)isappointed by an Unsuccessful Season, the Boys' Track Team Began

Laying a Foundation

"We were willing to try. We ay not have won, but we still pt trying." This statement senior Mark Dilodovico flects the mood of the season r the boys' track team.

The first meet was the North rland Raider Relays, where e varsity team took third ace and the JV took second ace. The high places led the m to believe that they were aded for a successful season. e next meet, the Carl Norris lays, was a disappointment. ither the varsity nor the JV ced in the meet.

The Theo Rigsby meet oved only to be slightly re of a success than the Carl rris meet. There, the varsity ced fifth.

The following week, the m traveled to Grand Prairie, where it competed in the Grand Prairie Relays. The varsity team took third place and JV captured second.

Across town at the Mesquite Relays, both the varsity and the JV teams fell back, taking fifth and third places, respetively.

The advantage of competing "at home" proved useful at the North Mesquite Relays, where both teams placed second.

The Dr. Pepper meet provided another source of disappointment for the boys' track team. There, the varsity team placed sixth. The JV team failed to place.

The team's final meet was the District meet. The JV team did not place, while the varsity team took fifth place.

Individual team members performed well at the District meet, however. Mark Dilodovico was the runner-up in the 2-mile race and Gary Joe Kinne took the same honor in the shotput event. Raffaele Gaines was an alternate to the Regional meet.

Although the team didn't place high at most of its meets, it did receive a degree of satisfaction from knowing that they had given 100%. Also they took consolation in the knowledge that the foundation had been laid for an improved boys' track team in the future.

The addition of Coach Ed Mellado to the coaching staff, along with some promising athletes, led the team to expect a more successful season next year. "I feel this year was a great start to what someday can be a strongly competitive track team at North Mesquite," said Todd Bell.

Members of the boys' track team felt that the leadership of Coach Ed Mellado and Coach Gary Blair was important to the success the team did achieve. Mark Dilodovico commented: "Throughout the season Coach Mellado and Coach Blair were able to keep us going even though we were feeling down. If they hadn't have been objective about our success, we probably wouldn't have been successful at all." The coaches paid attention to details, right down to the team's clothing, according to Corey Junell. "They got us some awesome sweats!"



"The coaches got us together and made us believe in ourselves. They were good friends and we could talk to them about anything."
— Wayne McKee



"This year has not been a real success if one looks at our records, but what the onlooker does not see is the seeds that have been planted for next year."
— Todd Bell



"The team as a whole was improved over earlier years. We are a team of strong individuals. That makes us all contributors."
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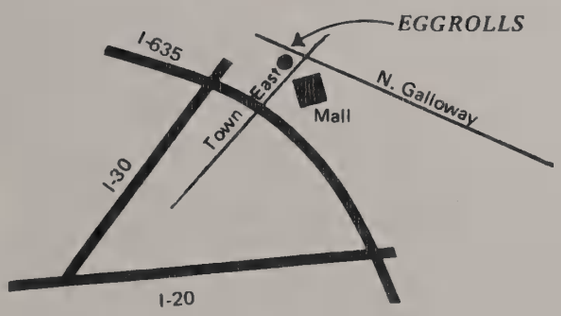
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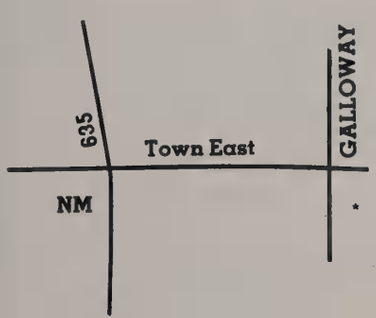


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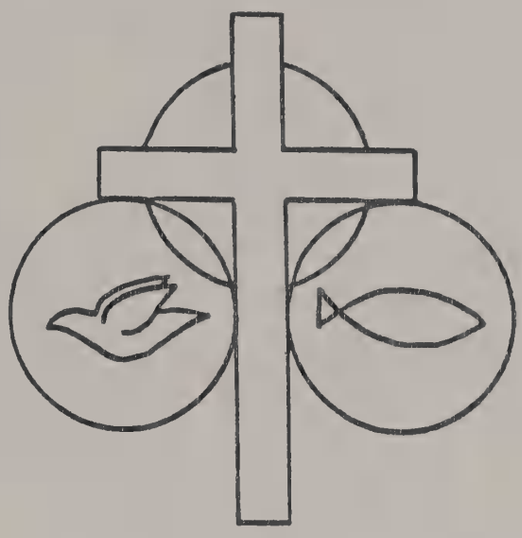
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Because the team is not sponsored by the school, members must pay their own entry fees and all other related expenses. This year's team competed in almost thirty different rodeos. Contests are held in Mesquite, Kaufman, Waxahachie, Wolfe City, Sulphur Springs, Lewisville, and in Ferris, at the Big D Ranch.

As in any athletic event, bumps and bruises are to be expected. Rough-stock riders almost always strain muscles, suffer bruises, or just hurt the rider's pride.

Shellie Waits injured her back while barrel-racing early in the year and Shawn Kesler suffered in injured thigh when an 1800 pound bull stepped on it. Fortunately, however, the team has been relatively free of serious injury.



***Shawn Kesler** waits for his event to come up at a rodeo.*



***Raffle tickets** sold by Mrs. Sara Kesler and Britna Kesler are a money-making project for the rodeo team.*

'odeo team members prepare
or upcoming events.





***Carol Broyles** enjoys a free moment at a rodeo.*

***Rodeo team:** (row1)* — Shawn Kesler, pres.; Shellie Waits, sweetheart; Kyle McIntyre, vice-pres. *(row2)* — Tammie Bishop, Robin Collins; DeeDee McCoy; Carol Broyles. *(row 3)* — Valton Dennis, sponsor; Kenneth Waits, Terry Easley, secretary; Treva Dennis, sponsor; Jason Mayes; Bryan Easley.





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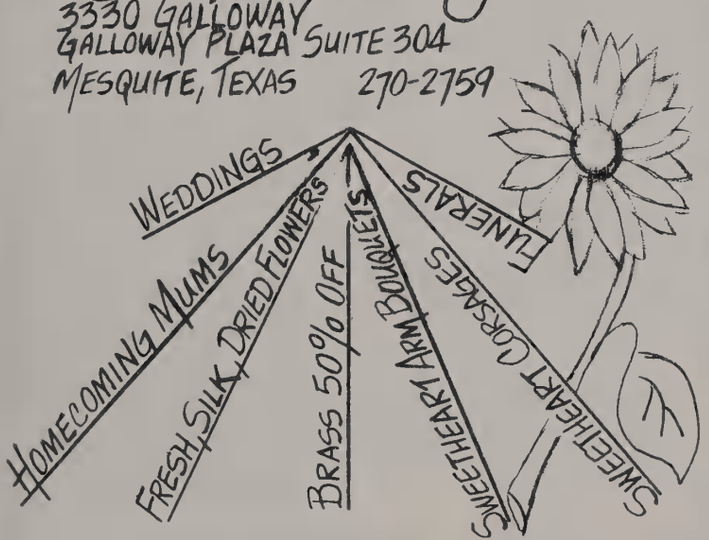
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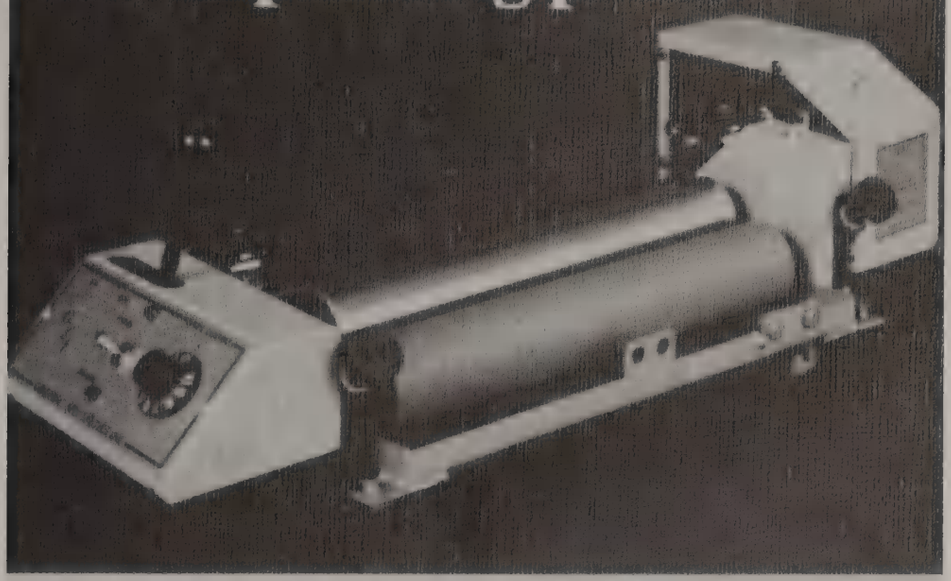




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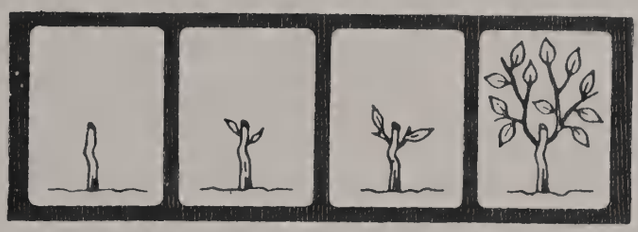
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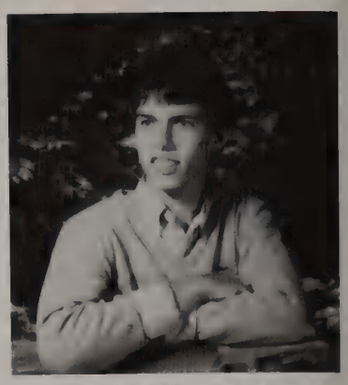
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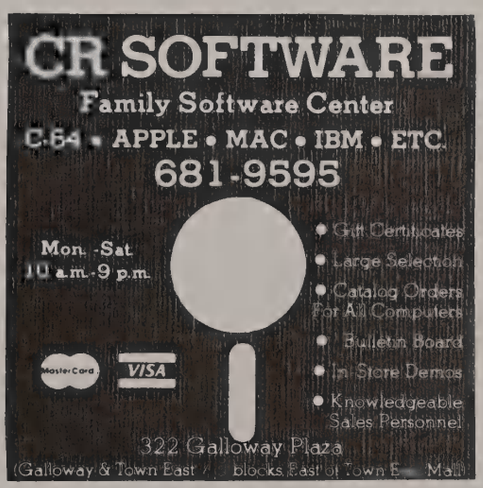
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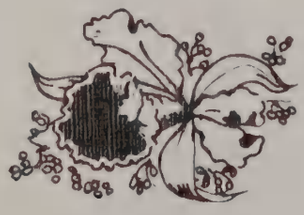


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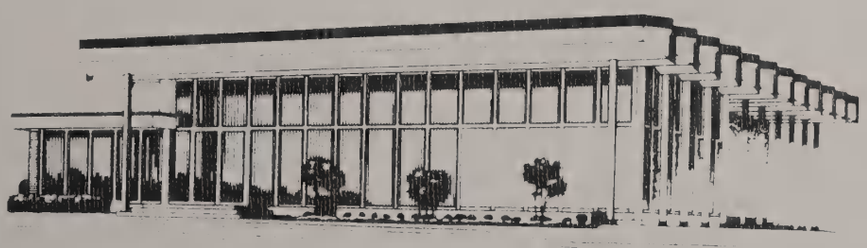


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Front row: Clyde Hammods, Joe Atterberry, Deloyce Matatall. *Back row:* Ronnie Thomas, James Copelin, Don Lipsett, Dennis Nickens.

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SENIOR PLAYERS:
Suzy Merryman — 32
Priscilla Martin — 77
Sandy Walker — 64
Leah Patterson — 65
Amy Ashmore — 84
Kristy Williams — 60
Nanny Stutts — 80
DeeDee Deets — 93
Cynthia Goode — 23
Barrett Haberer — 54
Darla Stark — 82
Pam Hiller — 41
Clair Elsey — 74

SENIOR COACHES:
Gary Kinne
Heath Bobo
Randy Hendrix

SENIOR RAH-RAHS:
Head — Chris Hamilton
Co-Head — Mike Collins
Kelly McPherson
Paul Cannaday
Jeff Gloden

JUNIOR PLAYERS:
Kim Russell — 61
Debbie Prater — 21
Terri Porter — 14
Kristi Hart — 27
Kerri Porter — 33
Kristi Sumner — 51
Cathy Garcia — 36
Penny Armstrong — 73
Felicia Means — 84
Kandi Kingrey — 32
Jennifer Johnson — 70
Michelle Shero — 66
Cindy Goode — 64

JUNIOR COACHES:
Bill Morris
Troy Crawford
Jeff Feinglass

JUNIOR RAH-RAHS:
Head — Grant Gaultney
Co-Head — Jimmy Blair
Donnie Lancaster
Greg Hernandez
Kyle Houpe

PACESETTERS:
Ken Craft — Captain
Vincent Guerra — Captain
Carl Leatherman
Matt Kinkeade
Chris Terry
Randy McCormick
Rob McIntosh
Scott Foster
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Steve Skinner
Larry Whitworth

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David Bugan

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Ending Seasons

As the second semester began, many students agreed that time moved at a faster pace. The second half of the year had arrived and set the stage for numerous activities.

Before long, auditions for several performing groups for the next year were held. Several sports seasons were coming to a close, one of which was the varsity baseball team. It ended the season with a bi-district title; dominating the all-district team with six players.

Banquets and the Jr.-Sr. prom had come and gone, and we now had to prepare ourselves for the finals or "the year in review."

During the month of May, summer fever was at its peak, affecting all of us and the teachers. The traditional "50-Day Countdown," which had been posted since coming back from spring break, was seen on senior classroom chalkboards.

As the numbers from the countdown became single digits, cameras were brought to school. We took pictures of friends, we would not see for a very long time. We took pictures of those friends who made the school year a unique experience.







***Robert Lee** indulges in his skateboarding hobby while waiting for his ride home.*

***Taking a slight detour,** David Burgen, Bill Morris, and Jesse Vogt return from the book room.*

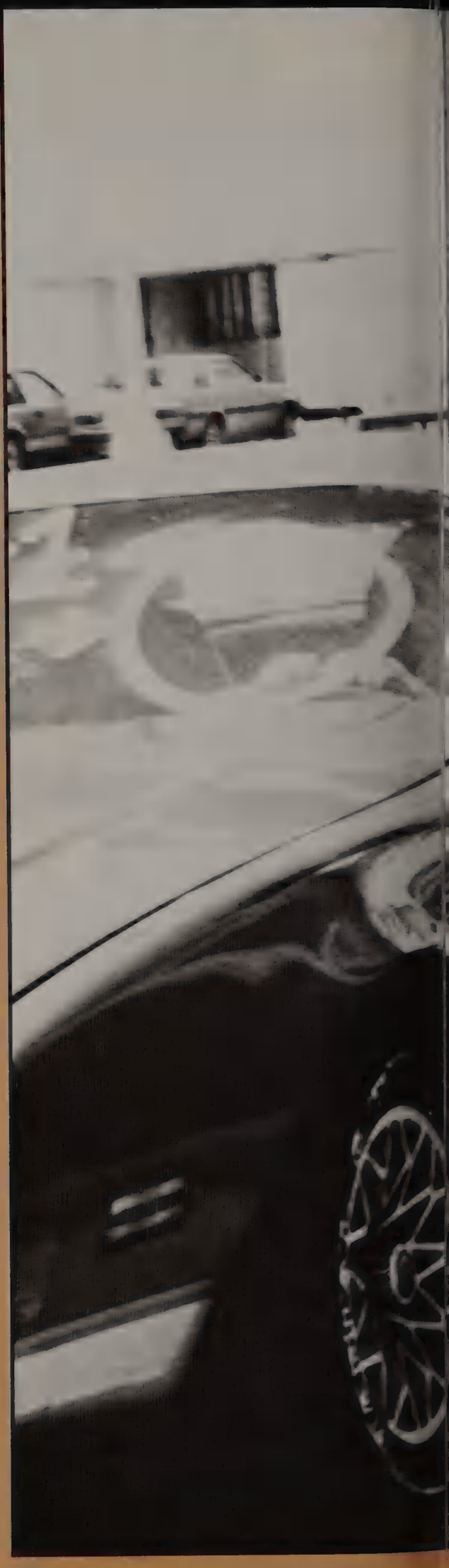
Closing moments

As tears streamed down he cheeks of seniors as well as parents and friends, we remembered our many accomplishments. For the seniors, there was a special feeling as they moved their tassles to the right. They had successfully completed the year that was affected so heavily by House Bill 72.

And as the last day of school for everyone had come to its last moments, the end of a memorable year had arrived. It was the year that the yearbook received its first "All-American" rating, placing it in the top five% among all yearbooks nationwide.

It was also the year that we raised $742.87 on a last minute, three-hour campaign to help the famine victims in Ethiopia.

These were added to our memories. And it was these memories that gave more reason for everyone to check us out because we had much to offer.





Students gather *one last time at the back of the cafeteria before leaving school for summer vacation.*

Social Studies teacher *Ms. Gray, with test papers in hand, takes a much needed break before grading finals.*

Editors Speak

I can honestly say that being a co-editor-in-chief of the *1985 Trailblazer* was the most unique experience I have ever had. By being a co-editor, I was able to put in creative influences into the book. Also, I got to become close friends with some of the nicest people in the school, the yearbook staff.

Sherry and I had to divide the staff so that individuals could be individually thanked. First of all, to the other co-editor, Sherry; as a staffer, she was excellent with her skills and strong motiviation to get the book completed. As a friend, she was trusting and honest; to Cindy, who did the imposible by meeting *every* deadline; to Chana, who reminded us that yearbook class could be fun and relaxing; to Jane, our "photo-identifyer"; to Alysia, whose laughter was always nice to hear; to Melissa, the model staffer, whose hard work has earned her the editors job for 1986. Finally, to Mr. Taylor, our sponsor, who not only taught me yearbook skills but also the meaning of leaderhsip and respons-ibility.

Special thanks goes to Ray, our Taylor Publishing representative; to Mrs. Ann Watson and her typing class; to Mrs. Bowdoin, an honory staffer; to my family who didn't mind when I'd turn the house upside-down looking for yearbook stuff. There are many more thanks to be. handed out to people, who know who they are!

Well, now the work is done. It was an experience putting the book together. A lot of hard work and time was put into it. I hope you liked it because for you to have enjoyed it would be the very best reward!

Edward

Now that this edition of the *Trailblazer* is completed, I find that I have mixed emotions about leaving NM and the *Trailblazer* staff. I won't miss all of the deadlines and work, but there are a lot of things that I will miss.

I'll always remember writing down Mr. Taylor's creative phrases such as "bull twinkie" and "expediency controls" on the bulletin board. Monica was always finding ways to obtain food for her favorite habit — eating.

Chris was willing to go to many of the evening sports events and was a good photographer. I'll always remember Kurt managing to find time away from his career at Handy Dan to take pictures and give Maria a ride home. And how will I ever find out about each "fine-lookin" guy without Maria around keeping an eye out for them.

Carrie was known for saying "I really don't care" but we all knew that she really did. And on what would seem to be the gloomiest day, Jan would come in and unknowingly brighten my day with a hug and a story or two about one of her numerous boyfriends.

And of course, there's Edward. There's probably no one else who I would have wanted to share the responsibility of being co-editor with than him.

I would like to thank all of my teachers who were kind enough to let me out of class to do yearbook work. I would especially like to thank my family for listening to me complain around deadline time and still let me stay in the family.

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Even though I had moments when I sometimes wished I wasn't on the staff, I'm glad I was, because it was a rewarding experience I'll never forget.

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"Check us Out," Volume 16 of the *Trailblazer*, was printed by Taylor Publishing Company and had a press-run of 1,900 copies. The subscription price for the 9"x12" yearbook was $15.

The cover was a custom design tool and die with the title, the theme and name on the spine blind embossed on a blue grid of two point lines. The diamond stallion is a silver metalique pressed on a gray base material hand-rubbed with blue die on "Handtooled" grain.

There were 32 full color pages — separations by lazer scanner — and 55 spot color pages using Bamboo Biege, Brilliant Red, Marine Blue, Emerald Green, Royal Purple, and Russet Brown, with varying gray screens of 20%, 40%, and 60% throughout the book.

The eight page magazine section was printed on 80 pound paper stock Strathmore Pastille in antique green smyth sewn, while the other pages are 80 pound saxmat enamal.

All body copy was set in 10 point Palatino, with captions set in 8 point bold italic with 10 point leads. The headlines for sections were set in 48, 36, and 24 point with 14 point kickers as follows: Opening, closing and division — decorative script with shadow printing (copy 14 point Impact); Student Life — Times Roman; Academics — Century School Textbook; Organizations — Melior Bold Italic; People — Souvenir; Sports — Palatino Bold Italic.

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